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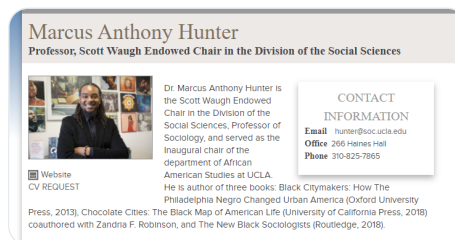
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Holy shit you guys, I'm sorry it has taken so long but I came across info I needed to verify, and I think I can now. I don't have anything written out, but I have all the info collected. But I need to tell y'all right now, because this is huge.

Black Lives Matter was not founded originally by Alicia Garza, Opal Tometti, and Patrisse Cullors. They became the faces of the movement and they retroactively created that story around them, but the movement itself IS a Communist movement.

The first use of the hashtag was not on July 13 like the story has gone for so long. The first use was on August 20, 2012 by a guy named Marcus Anthony Hunter. He is a professor of Sociology at UCLA.



This is corroborated by this article in the LA Times where MAH says he coined the phrase and it was later popularized by the three BLM "founders".

By MARCUS ANTHONY HUNTER

JUNE 8, 2020 | 11 AM

When I coined the hashtag #BlackLivesMatter in the hot summer of 2012 (later popularized through the activism of Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors and Opal Tometi after Michael Brown's death), racial healing, reparations and transformation were heavy on my mind. I had been bearing witness to the possibilities and problems of America for more than 30 years — raised amid the war on drugs, the LGBTQ rights movement, the end of the Cold War, the rise of hip-hop and the fulfillment of the prophecy of the civil rights movement as expressed through Barack Obama's historic two terms as the country's first black president.

The exception to this is the story of Deray Mckesson, who is a rather famous activist who was a huge voice in the Ferguson era of BLM. He specifically does not mention Alicia, Patrisse, or Opal and instead credits the original tweet as the inspiration behind his version of BLM.

In many of these accounts, the work Garza, Khan-Cullors, and Tometti began in 2013 is referred to as the spark that fueled the fire that would rage after the death of Michael Brown in Ferguson the following year. (Though Ransby and Khan-Cullors independently reiterate that the Black Lives Matter founders were not seeking attention or credit.) There is one notable exception: that of Baltimore-based activist DeRay Mckesson, who has written an otherwise riveting and affecting memoir, *On the Other Side of Freedom: The Case for Hope* (Viking, September 4).

Mckesson is a gifted, pointed storyteller. Describing his childhood with his great-grandmother — who raised him in the absence of his mother, Joan, who struggled with drug addiction and with whom he was reunited when he was older — Mckesson writes with astounding poetry, vulnerability, and flair. “When she died during my senior year in college,” he writes, “it felt like she took all the music in the world with

Mckesson is this deliberate and careful with language throughout; it is easy to understand how he has become prominent, aside from his omnipresent blue vest, which has a story of its own.

But Mckesson also chooses, for reasons that remain obscure in a book otherwise rich with loving attention and detail, to erase BLM leaders. They are mentioned nowhere by name. Instead, he gives credit for the inception of Black Lives Matter to **Marcus** Anthony Hunter, chair of African American Studies at UCLA, who tweeted the hashtag in relation to his work around black migration in August 2012, though it didn't catch on until the following year.

“It was the first time that assemblage of words would ever be used on Twitter, and months later it would take on a life all its own,” Mckesson writes. “Ferguson was a

Here's an archive of Deray's Twitter from back in the day at the end of April 2015.

https://web.archive.org/web/2015042911741if_/https://twitter.com/deray



His current Twitter is very different, but I looked at the URL on his archived Twitter and was curious, so I searched for it.




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We The Protesters
<http://WetheProtesters.org>

has a planning team of three: Deray, Sam Swey, and Elzie.


wetheprotesters.org about



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WeTheProtesters has its own set of demands and campaigns. Most notable are Campaign Zero, the Activist Toolkit, the demands, and 'Stay Woke'.

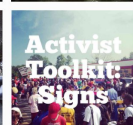





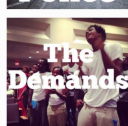
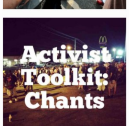
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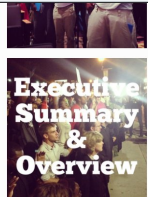
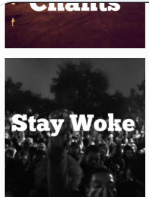
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Our Work









Campaign Zero is under the We The Protesters umbrella, and has its own set of ten goals, similar to the Sustainable Development Goals made by the United Nations.

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by holding police **ACCOUNTABLE**, improving community **STREET SAFETY**, and ensuring **accountability**.

CLICK THE CATEGORIES BELOW FOR POLICY SOLUTIONS (DOWNLOAD THIS GRAPHIC)


1

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COMMUNITY OVERSIGHT




3

LIMIT USE OF FORCE




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INDEPENDENTLY INVESTIGATE & PROSECUTE




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COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION




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BODY CAMS / FILM THE POLICE




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TRAINING




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LOW-PRIORITY POLICING




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DEMILITARIZATION



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FAIR POLICE UNION CONTRACTS



▲ Campaign Zero encourages policymakers to focus on solutions with the strongest evidence of effectiveness at reducing police violence. Our platform is continuously updated in response to the findings and insights of researchers and organizers nationwide. Given the range of new research studies on **implicit bias training**, **mental health training**, **community representation** in policing, and **body camera** finding little to no evidence of effectiveness at reducing police violence, we have flagged these policy areas with ▲ **disclaimers**.
[Click here to propose a new policy solution to add to the site.](#)

Deray is also part of a group called Stay Woke that teaches activist-inclined people how to get involved.

STAYWOKE

Staywoke

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<http://www.staywoke.org>

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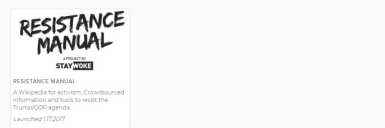
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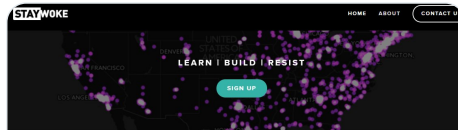
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ABOUT

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One of the listed tools was a Resistance Manual, so I clicked to see what it was. And it's a wiki made on Wikimedia Commons that no longer pulls up. But... I found the archive on [Archive.org](https://web.archive.org/web/20170919145051/https://www.resistancemanual.org/Tools...).

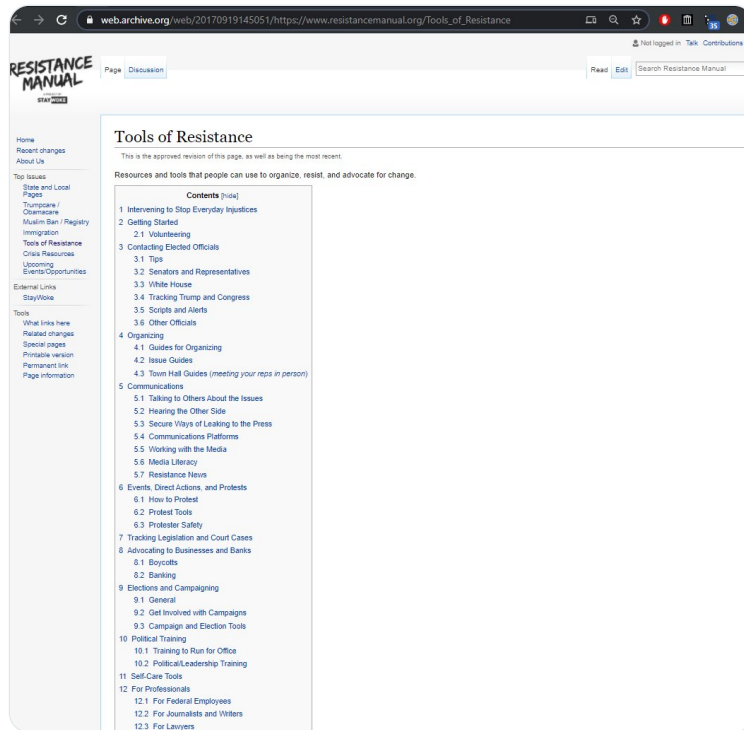
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Learn how to resist the Trump/GOP agenda and continue making progress in America at resistancemanual.org.

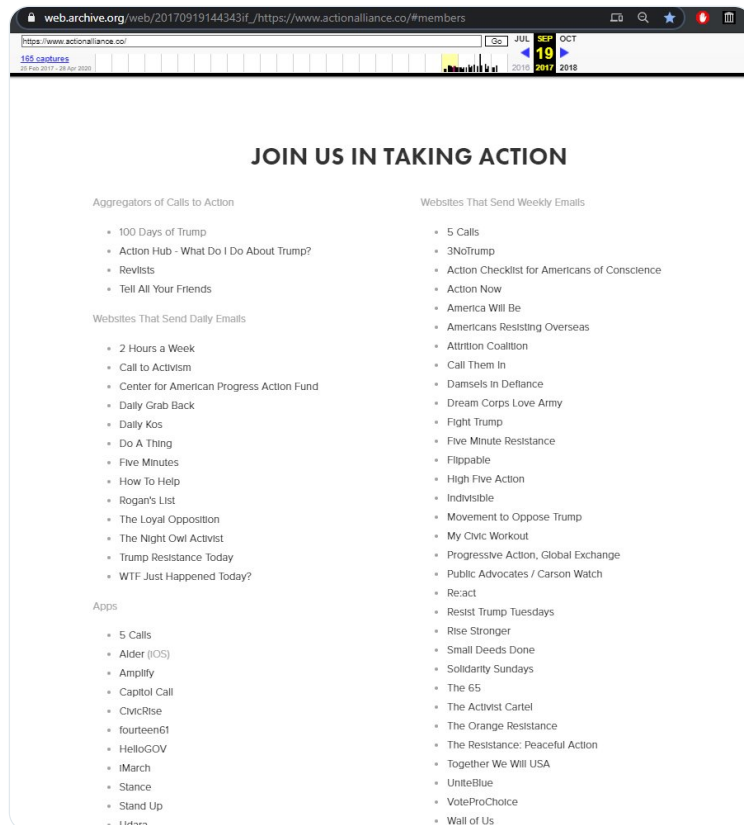
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There's a huge list of different initiatives and groups that collaborate all together. I haven't had really any time to go through any of this yet, as all of this was discovered today, but it's a huge lead. But... I did look at a couple of links that I recognized, and...

The first was the Action Alliance, which is also again a huge list of archived activist groups I'm going to look through shortly.

https://web.archive.org/web/20170919144343if_/https://www.actionalliance.co/#members



But there are a few names on this list you're going to see again here very soon, so I'll point them out:

The Resistance Manual, [#Resist](#), RISE, Data for Democracy, and the Dream Corps.

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But back to the Resistance Manual and the subcategory Policing, followed by the Troublemaker's Guide. Principles for racial justice activists, hm?

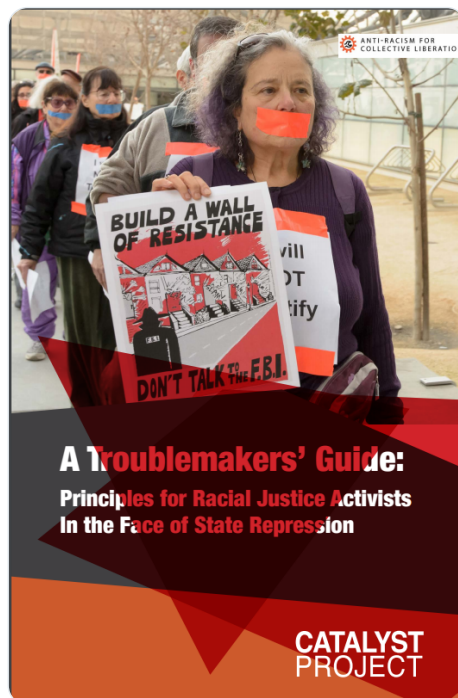
- Mapping and Analyzing the Schoolhouse to Jailhouse Track: a comprehensive action kit for communal learning environments that push students toward colleges and careers, rather than prison
- A Troublemaker's Guide: Principles for Racial Justice Activists in the Face of State Repression—a g

Town Hall Guides (meeting your reps in person) [edit]

Communal Praxis Toolkit: A from Organizing for America

This is done by the Catalyst Project. The second page of the manual, there's a nice long thank you note to all of the people involved. Named I recognized, big time.

<https://collectiveliberation.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/A-Troublemakers-Guide-Principles-for-Racial-Justice-Activists-in-the-Face-of-State-Repression-FINAL.pdf>



Catalyst Project helps to build powerful multiracial movements that can win collective liberation. In the service of this vision, we organize, train and mentor white activists and majority-white organizations to take action to end racism, war and empire, and to support efforts to build power in working-class communities of color. To learn more and to download this pamphlet, go to www.collectiveliberation.org

Catalyst Project would like to thank Rachel Herzing, Isaac Ontiveros, Lara Kiswani, Rob McBride, and Linda Evans for their many years of organizing against state repression, and for giving feedback on this document. Thank you to Scott Braley for photos, to Justseeds Artist Cooperative for making their graphics available, to Bay Area Committee to Stop Political Repression for providing their assessment tool, and to Terry Bisson for letting us use his poem.

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Cover photo: People around the country demonstrate support for the Midwest 23 grand jury resisters, 2010. Photo by Scott Braley. www.scottbraley.com

2 A Troublemakers' Guide: Principles for Racial Justice Activists in the Face of State Repression

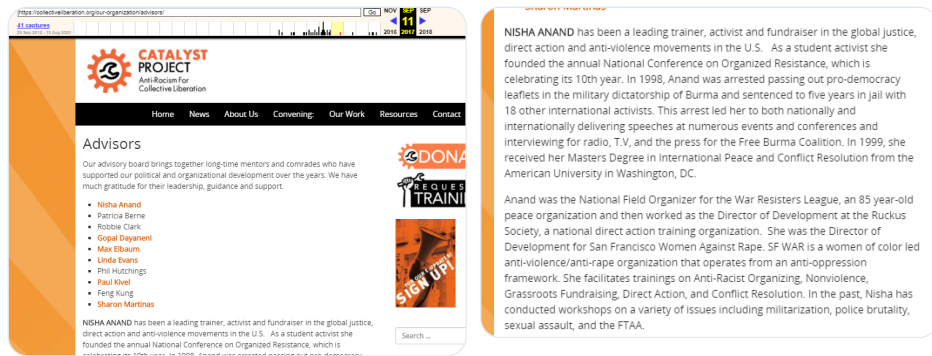
But first real quick, let's look at the board of advisors for the Catalyst Project. At the top is Nisha Anand.

"She focuses on anti-racist organizing..."

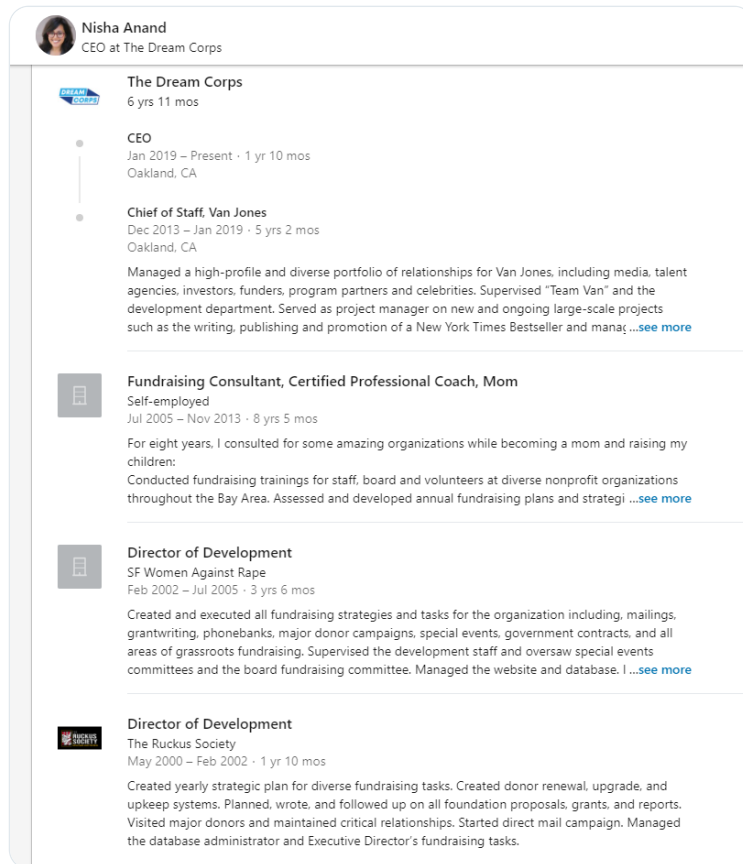
Remember when I told you anti-racist = Antifa?

If you forgot.. it does.

<https://web.archive.org/web/20170911092121/https://collectiveliberation.org/our-organization/advisors/>



Nisha was Director of Development at the Ruckus Society, did a few things in between of little consequence, then was Chief of Staff to Van Jones. Van Jones was the Special Advisor for Green Jobs to Barack Obama in 2009.



Here's Van gaslighting the hell out of the audience on CNN about Antifa vs. right wing agitators.



Same CNN that gave us this gem.



And this one.



And then had Cuomo and Lemon freaking out about polls like a couple of dorks.



But anyways yeah, THAT Van also works for CNN from time to time, worked for Barack Obama, and Nisha Anand worked for him for a while.

THEN the both worked on the Dream Corps together.

Nisha Anand
CEO at The Dream Corps

Parents, teachers & students are already solving tough problems on their own.

Nisha shared this
5 Reactions

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Anthony Kapel "Van" Jones (born September 20, 1968) is an American news commentator, author, and non-practicing attorney. He is a co-founder of several nonprofit organizations, including the **Dream Corps**, a "social justice accelerator" that operates three advocacy initiatives: #cut50, #Yeswecode, and Green for All. He is the author of *The Green Collar Economy* and *Rebuild the Dream*.

Experience

The Dream Corps
6 yrs 11 mos

CEO
Jan 2019 – Present · 1 yr 10 mos
Oakland, CA

The Ruckus Society, which Nisha also worked at, was a big part of the WTO riots in 99, heavily involved with BLM in Ferguson, the noDAPL fiasco, and more. Funding comes from Tides, Ted Turner, etc.

To be continued... :) Hold please.



Initiatives

Critics have accused the group of inciting violent protests that have included rioting. At the 1999 World Trade Organization protests in Seattle, rioters smashed windows, set fires and overturned vehicles. John Sellers, then the director of The Ruckus Society, represented protesters when the terms of their arrests were being discussed with police, later telling *USA Today*, "We kicked the WTO's butt all over the Northwest."^[6]

Ruckus was heavily involved in protests at the 2000 Republican National Convention in Philadelphia, where 15 police officers were injured and 23 police cars received damage.^[7]

In its own training handouts, Ruckus touts direct action in protest campaigns that includes "tactics to resist the unjust system. Some of these may be legal strategies while others may be outside of the law, such as the use of civil disobedience."^[8]

Ruckus Society has reportedly been involved in **Black Lives Matter**-inspired demonstrations. The Ruckus Society was integral in assisting "Ferguson October," a weekend of rallies, marches, and meetings about social activism in the St. Louis area in October 2014 following the fatal shooting of black teen Michael Brown by white police officer Darren Wilson that summer.^[9]

On April 10, 2015, as part of the Ferguson Commemoration Weekend's day of civil disobedience, a group called The Activists used helium balloons sold to them by The Ruckus Society to float a 40-foot banner that read "Racism Still Lives Here" in the air near the Gateway Arch. A coordinator from Ruckus traveled to St. Louis to train the activists and others served as legal liaisons to discuss the legalities of the action with the police.^[10]

Prior to the 2016 Republican National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio, The Ruckus Society worked with other groups to build a banner wall in front of Quicken Loans Arena, site of the convention, decorated with anti-Donald Trump drawings to "wall off Trump's politics of hate."^[11] However, the city implemented strict security measures and the protesters instead wore ponchos painted like brick walls featuring the words "Wall Off Trump."^[12]

Ruckus joined dozens of like-minded groups and thousands of progressives at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers offices in several major cities in November 2016 to encourage President **Barack Obama** to reject the Dakota Access Pipeline.^[13]

Funding

As a 501(c)3 nonprofit, Ruckus isn't required to reveal its donors, although reports of funding over the years have shed some light on who aligns with the group. For example, *Western Journalism* reported in 2009 about a \$200,000 donation from the left-leaning *Tides Foundation* to Ruckus.^[14] Discover the Network reported \$150,000 in funding from Tides Foundation to Ruckus between 1999 and 2004.^[22]

Sellers has said that CNN and TBS founder Ted Turner "carried Ruckus on his back" the first few years after its founding.^[15] Other celebrity backers have included Ben & Jerry's co-founder Ben Cohen, The Doors drummer John Densmore and (now split) Hollywood power couple Tim Robbins and Susan Sarandon.^[24]

Back in 2017, the Dream Corps, Van Jones, and Nisha... along with NFL Players Coalition pushed for more radical activism in the NFL. This led to a lot of boycotts and angry fans and Collin Kaepernick's head getting wayyyy too big.

Radical Activists Cash in on \$89 Million NFL Shakedown

Posted on December 8, 2017 by Carl Horowitz

The National Football League, a model of fecklessness, has taken the art of surrender to a new level. Last Wednesday evening, November 29, a group of team owners and black players **reached a tentative plan** to divert at least \$89 million over seven years to various radical organizations. The move, an effort to placate the now-ritualized theatrical pregame "kneel-down" player protests during the national anthem, was a gift to two groups in particular, the Players Coalition and the Dream Corps, the latter led by Van Jones, an Obama-era White House adviser. "No decisions have been made on where the money will go yet, much less all the money over the next seven years," said NFL spokesman Joe Lockhart. His boss, Roger Goodell, meanwhile, won't have to worry. Two days ago, he signed a five-year contract extension potentially worth \$40 million a year.



Collin Kaepernick

certain players show to our country. Tell them to stand!" With a perfect pitch for public relations, **Commissioner Goodell responded**: "The NFL and our players are at our best when we help create a sense of unity in our country and our culture... Divisive comments like these demonstrate an unfortunate lack of respect for the NFL, our great game and all of our players, and a failure to understand the overwhelming force for good our clubs and players represent in our communities."

Goodell's language suggested a "settlement" was at hand. And as the 2017 season proceeded, he had an added incentive to settle. A growing number of fans around the country, as ticket holders and TV viewers, were growing irritated over the fecklessness of the league head office and the owners. Here was a coordinated Black Lives Matter-inspired campaign to extract favors from the NFL, and NFL top brass were acting scared to death. Unwilling to see football games turned into a political circus, fans in increasing numbers were reselling game tickets at a discount or simply not showing up. Many were turning off the TV set. The boycott may not have been as pronounced as some critics were claiming, but it looked real. And so long as the staged pregame protests continued, there was a distinct possibility of profit erosion. Indeed, it could be argued that black players were continuing their national anthem theatrics *precisely because they knew this tactic could lead to an agreement requiring the NFL to donate funds to radical organizations*.

The NFL front office surrender would happen on November 29. According to preliminary reports, the league committed itself to shelling out at least \$89 million over seven years to several black-oriented local and national activist groups claiming to carry the torch for social justice. *The owners would pay a large portion of that sum*, making out at \$12 million a year during the 2021-23 seasons. Fully 25 percent of the payout would be earmarked for the United Negro College Fund and another 25 percent earmarked for the Dream Corps. The remaining 50 percent would be controlled by the Players Coalition, which recently filed for 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) tax-exempt status, and would operate as a project of the Hopewell Fund, in turn managed by Arabella Advisors, a key figure in environmental activism. The Players Coalition had outside professional advice on this one, something acknowledged by the Eagles' Malcolm Jenkins. These consultants included the Fair Punishment Project, Community Legal Services, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), the Center for American Progress, and the Campaign for Fair Sentencing of Youth.

It's worth mentioning that a significant amount of money from George Soros is also funnelled into the Dream Project.



Radical Activists Cash in on \$89 Million NFL Shakedown - National Le...

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<https://nlpc.org/2017/12/08/nfl-agrees-give-89-million-black-activists-none-dare-call-sh...>

There is a lot more going on here than simply "do good" community philanthropy. This deal, at bottom, is a political campaign designed as a counterweight to President Trump and other persons deemed guilty of "racism," "xenophobia" and other unpardonable sins. Anyone doubting as much should consider two outside powerful forces driving this deal: George Soros and Van Jones. Soros, for years a multibillionaire conduit for hard Left activism via his nonprofit Open Society Foundations, has funded three of the groups listed above: the ACLU, the Center for American Progress and the Campaign for Fair Sentencing of Youth. He also has donated funds to the Dream Corps, which in 2014 absorbed another group called Green for All.

That's where the [Van Jones](#) connection comes in. Jones, a black, founded Green for All in 2007. Two years later he briefly served as "green jobs czar" during President Obama's first term until bad publicity surrounding his public self-identification years earlier with communism and anarchism forced him out. He's now [a political analyst for CNN](#). The Dream Corps, which describes itself as a "social justice accelerator," has four main projects: YesWeCode, which trains low-income nonwhites as computer programmers; Cut50, which demands a reduction in the U.S. prison population by 50 percent; the aforementioned Green for All, which calls for an "inclusive green economy"; and the Love Army. The latter project may prove the most potent. Among other things, this "army" opposes the Dakota Access pipeline, the Keystone XL pipeline and the Clean Power Plan. Van Jones, in fact, was wearing a #LoveArmy hashtag sticker as a guest speaker at the January 21 Women's March, an ecumenical radical event held the day after President's Trump's inauguration. Jones was rather inflammatory during his speech. "This movement is not going to let you mess with the Muslims," [he declared to a cheering crowd](#). "This movement is not going to let you mess with the Dreamers, President Trump. We're not going to let you mess with the women. We're not going to let you mess with the Earth. We're not going to let you mess with Black Lives Matter. This movement is based on that kind of love."

Another name mentioned at the beginning of the Catalyst Troublemaker's Guide is Rachel Herzing. Rachel is a co-founder of Critical Resistance, which is a grassroots group trying to end the prison complex altogether. I mean... altogether.

<https://truthout.org/authors/rachel-herzing/>

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Rachel Herzing

Rachel Herzing lives and works in Oakland, California, where she fights the violence of policing and imprisonment. She is a cofounder of Critical Resistance, a national grassroots organization dedicated to abolishing the prison industrial complex and the codirector of the Story Telling & Organizing Project (STOP), a community resource sharing stories of interventions to interpersonal harm that do not rely on policing, imprisonment or traditional social services.

As it stands, Rachel is very involved with the Open Society Foundation, writing many op-eds for the OSF as well as being a Soros Justice Fellow back in 2015.



America Doesn't Just Need Better Policing—It Needs Less of It

It's time to imagine how we can shrink the size and scope of police forces, reduce the number of gadgets at cops' disposal, and constrain law enforcement's ability to ensnare us.

<https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/voices/let-s-reduce-not-reform-policing-america>

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Let's Reduce, Not Reform, Policing in America

OCTOBER 6, 2015
BY RACHEL HERZING





Rachel Herzing
Rachel Herzing is a 2015 Soros Justice Fellow and cofounder of Critical Resistance.

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I actually wrote about her in my "The Democrats Are Morons and George Soros Is Too" thread, which you can find [here](#).


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The Democrats Are Morons & George Soros Is Too:
A Thread -- I know what you're thinking right now.
You're thinking, 'In these difficult times, we could all
use another 30 year old white girl's take on things.'
And so you shall. Like the Hydra in Greek mytholog...



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The overall highlights being the numerous Democrat children that have been arrested linked to radical Antifa behaviors. Like Tim Kaine's son. You know. Hillary's former running mate?



Tim Kaine's son faces charges after Trump rally incident

Linwood Michael Kaine, a son of Virginia senator and former vice presidential candidate Tim Kaine, faces misdemeanor charges in Minnesota after an incident at a pro-Donald Trump rally in March.

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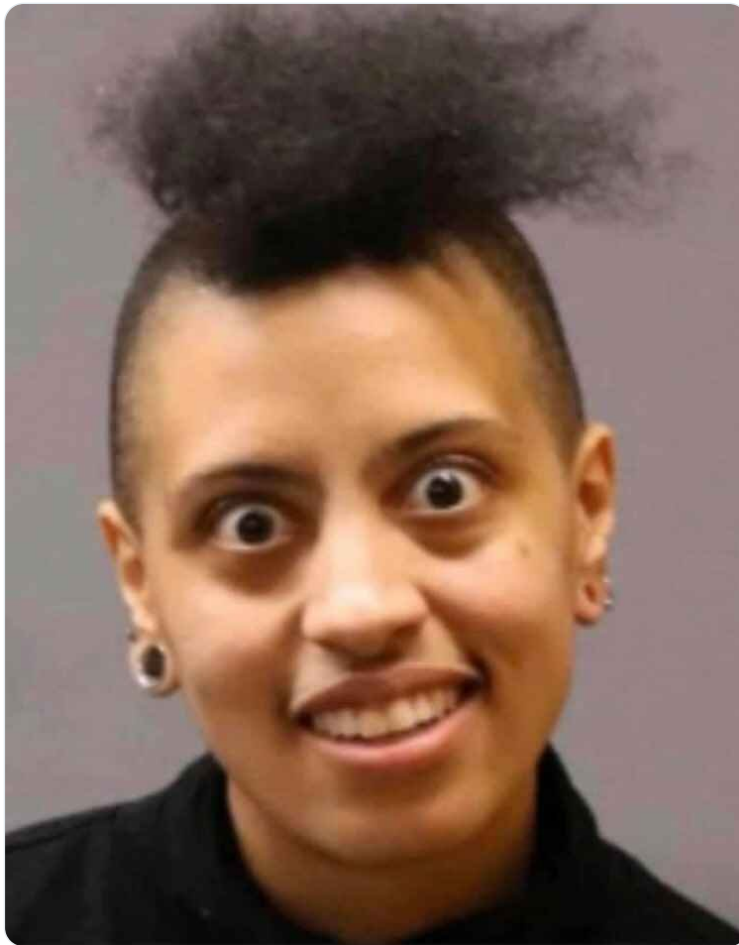


"Kaine was ordered to the ground but failed to cooperate. He attempted to run but was caught by an officer, who took him to the ground. Kaine then got back on his feet and squared off with the officer, who re-engaged Kaine in an attempt to arrest him. While the officer was attempting to take Kaine to the ground, another officer arrived and deployed a chemical irritant known as ASR," Linders said. "At this point, Kaine was taken to the ground but continued to resist arrest. In an effort to get Kaine to comply with officers instructions, a third officer on scene delivered a knee strike. Kaine then cooperated, put his hands behind his back and was taken into custody without further incident."

Chiara de Blasio was arrested on May 31, 2020 for blocking traffic and was arrested after refusing to move.

The next day, Bill de Blasio gave a speech and said anarchist agitators had co-opted the protests.

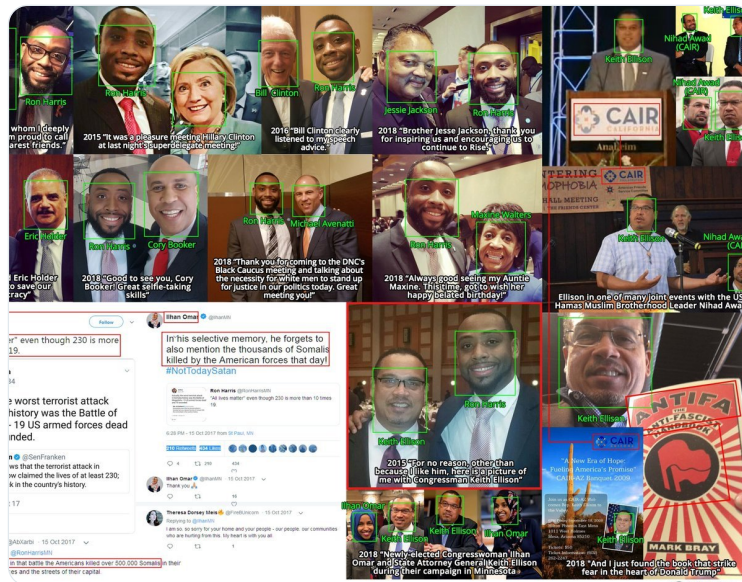
"It is a small number of people. It is well organized."



You also had Hope Walz, daughter of Tim Walz (Minnesota's governor) gave rioters inside information about military activity, and Isra Hirsi, Ilhan Omar's daughter, sought suppliers for her rioting comrades in Minneapolis.



You also have Keith Ellison, current Attorney General of Minnesota, taking selfies while holding up the Anti-Fascist Handbook saying it would "strike fear into the heart of [@realDonaldTrump](#)."



5/31/20 Jeremiah Ellison:

"I hereby declare, officially, my support for ANTIFA. Unless someone can prove to me ANTIFA is behind the burning of black & immigrant owned businesses in my ward, I'll keep focusing on stopping the white power terrorist THE ARE ACTUALLY ATTACKING US!"



I also mention the article, "Yes, We Mean Literally Abolish the Police" by Mariame Kaba. Also a Soros Justice Fellow.

<https://web.archive.org/web/20200619021207/https://www.nytimes.com/2020/06/12/opinion/sunday/floyd-abolish-defund-police.html>

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ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

PAST FELLOWS



Mariame Kaba

Year

2016

Location

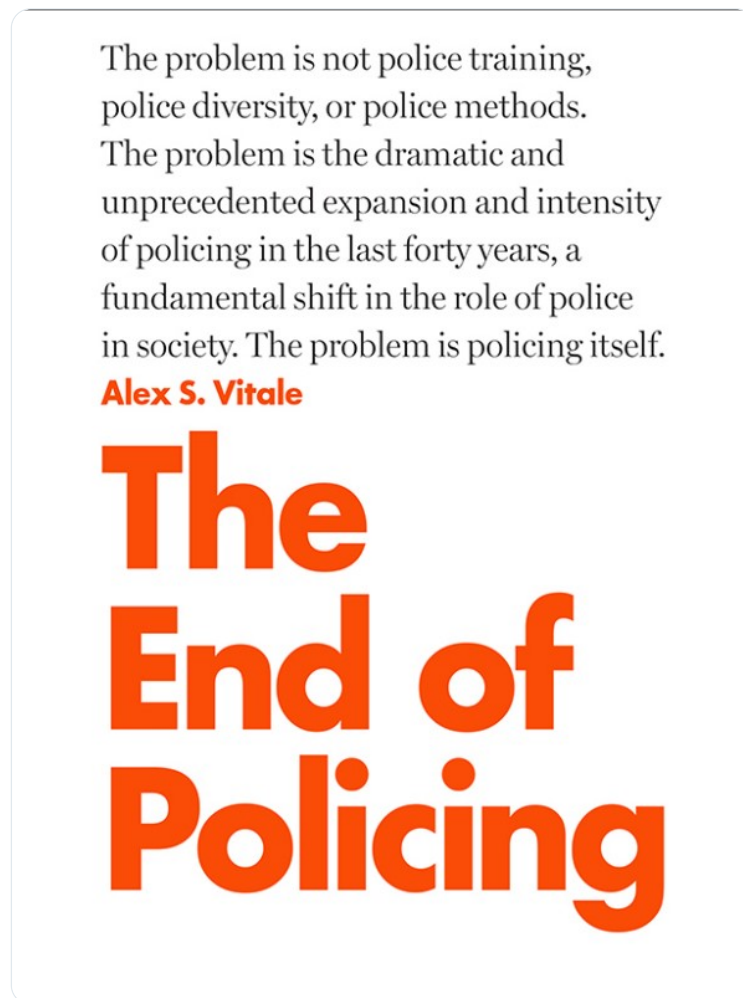
New York, NY

Mariame Kaba will partner with organizations to support and advocate for women (trans and nontrans) who are survivors of sexual and physical violence but who also live under threat of arrest and incarceration.

Kaba is the founding director of Project NIA, a grassroots organization dedicated to ending youth incarceration. She is also cofounder of the Chicago Freedom School and the Chicago Taskforce on Violence Against Girls and Young Women, among other groups. She served as cochair of the Women of Color Committee at the Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network and was a founding advisory board member of the Women and Girls Collective Action Network. A regular writer, speaker, and educator on prison abolition, racial justice, and gender justice, Kaba has been honored with several awards, including the Moxie Award from the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault and the Community Advocate of the Year Award from the Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network.

The case to abolish the police is made over and over again based on a single book by Alex Vitale called "The End of Policing."

Vitale produces no context to his numbers, nor any sources for his statistics.

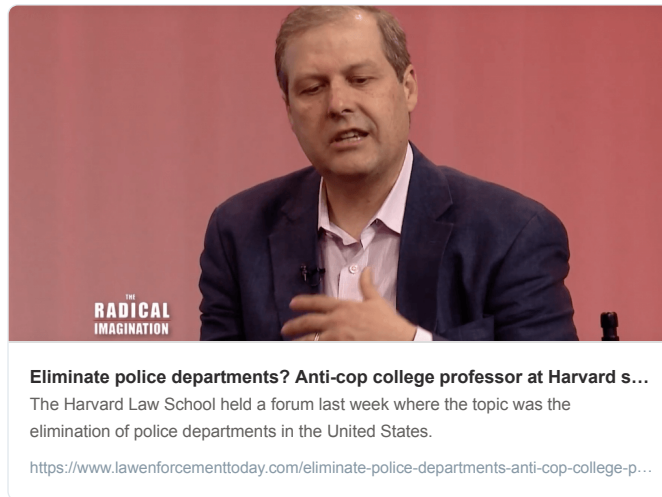


Vitale also repeats the claim that police haven't had any success in curbing drug addiction in the U.S. He does not address the fact that in many cases, courts do not prosecute drug cases or mandate any type of treatment.



<https://www.youtube.com/embed/KNk6b6gf5G0>

He also repeatedly mentions Larry Krasner and Chesa Boudin, who are both Soros district attorneys that are completely bought and paid for. But more on them in just a little bit.



Vitale draws from the Black Youth Project's 'Agenda to Build Black Futures' which heavily mirrors the platform of the 60's/70's Black Panther Party.

AGENDA
TO BUILD
BLACK
FUTURES

BLACK YOUTH PROJECT 100 (BYP100)

The Black Panther Party was founded by Huey P. Newton and Bobby Seale on October 15, 1966 and was one of the most controversial groups of the 60's. Newton and Seale were Marxists.



Back to Rachel Herzing and Critical Resistance...

CR was founded by Angela Davis, Rose Braz, and Ruth Wilson Gilmore.

Davis is a well-known Marxist.

Critical Resistance

Connected to: [Prison industrial complex](#), [Oakland](#), [Angela Davis](#)

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Critical Resistance is a national, member-based grassroots organization that works to build a mass movement to dismantle the prison-industrial complex.^[1] Critical Resistance's national office is in Oakland, California, with three additional chapters in New York City, Los Angeles, and Portland, Oregon.^[2]

Critical Resistance popularized the idea of challenging the prison industrial complex after their first conference in 1988, which drew thousands of former prisoners, family members, activists, academics and community members. Critical Resistance understood the prison industrial complex as a response to societal issues such as: homelessness, immigration, and gender non-conformity. It is considered to have re-invigorated anti-prison activism in the United States.^[3]

Formation

1987, 23 years ago

Founders

Angela Davis
Ruth Wilson Gilmore
Rose Braz

Type

Social Movement

Location

International (mostly in the United States)

Website

[criticalresistance.org](#)

Organization

Critical Resistance was founded by Angela Davis, Rose Braz, Ruth Wilson Gilmore, and others in 1992.^[4] The organization is primarily volunteer member-based, with three staff members based in Oakland.

Each chapter determines its own work independently. Projects included:

- Contributing to stopping California's prison building boom
- Copwatching
- Coalition-building and participation in the Community in Unity Coalition to stop construction of a

Angela Davis

Connected to: [Peritum](#), [University of California, San Diego](#), [Brandeis University](#)

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Angela Yvonne Davis (born January 26, 1944)^[a] is an American political activist, philosopher, academic, and author. She is a professor emerita at the University of California, Santa Cruz. Ideologically a Marxist, Davis was a longtime member of the Communist Party USA (CPUSA) and is a founding member of the Committees of Correspondence for Democracy and Socialism (CCDS). She is the author of over ten books on class, feminism, race, and the U.S. prison system.

Born to an African American family in Birmingham, Alabama, Davis studied French at Brandeis University and philosophy at the University of Frankfurt in West Germany. Studying under the philosopher Herbert Marcuse, a prominent figure in the Frankfurt School, Davis became increasingly engaged in far-left politics. Returning to the United States, she studied at the University of California, San Diego before moving to East Germany, where she completed a doctorate at the Humboldt University of Berlin. After returning to the United States, she joined the Communist Party and became involved in numerous causes, including the second-wave feminist movement and the campaign against the Vietnam War. In 1969 she was hired as an acting assistant professor of philosophy at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). UCLA's governing Board of Regents soon fired her due to her Communist Party membership; after a court ruled this illegal, the university fired her again, this time for her use of inflammatory language.

In 1970, guns belonging to Davis were used in an armed takeover of a courtroom in Marin County, California, in which four people were killed. Prosecuted for three capital felonies, including

Angela Davis

Davis in 2010

Born

Angela Yvonne Davis
January 26, 1944 (age 76)
Birmingham, Alabama, U.S.

Education

Brandeis University (BA)
University of California, San Diego (MA)
Humboldt University of Berlin (PhD)

Occupation

Educator, author, social activist

Employer

University of California, Santa Cruz (retired) Emerita

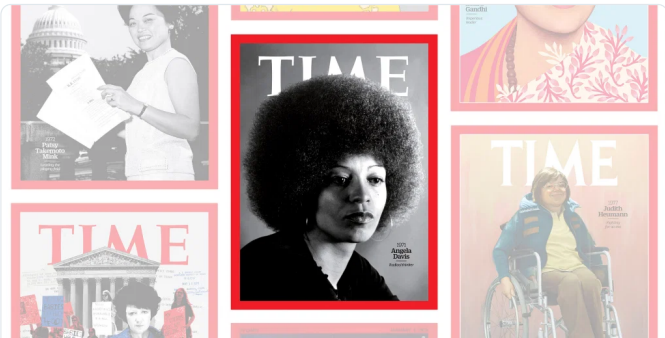
Political party

Communist Party USA (1969–1991)
Committees of Correspondence for Democracy and Socialism (1991–present)

Spouse(s)

Hilton Keithwaite
(m. 1980–1983)^[a]

She is active in the Occupy movements as well as won the Lenin Peace Prize. On March 5, 2020, Time Magazine named her 1971's Woman of the year.



Angela Davis: 100 Women of the Year
Angela Davis is one of the leaders, innovators, activists, entertainers, athletes and

artists who defined the last century.

<https://time.com/5793638/angela-davis-100-women-of-the-year/>

In 1970, guns belonging to Davis were used in an armed takeover of a courtroom in Marin County, California, in which four people were killed. Prosecuted for three capital felonies, including conspiracy to murder, and held in jail for over a year, she was acquitted of all charges in 1972. She visited Eastern Bloc countries in the 1970s and during the 1980s was twice the Communist Party's candidate for Vice President; at this time, she also held the position of professor of ethnic studies at San Francisco State University. Much of her work focused on the abolition of prisons and in 1997 she co-founded Critical Resistance, an organization working to abolish the prison-industrial complex.^[6] In 1991, amid the dissolution of the Soviet Union, she helped start the CCDS, a platform initially operating inside the CPUSA seeking to reorient the party's ideology away from orthodox communism. When the majority of party members voted against CCDS proposals, along with CCDS colleagues, she left the CPUSA. Also in 1991, she joined the Feminist Studies department at the University of California, Santa Cruz, where she became department director before retiring in 2008. Since then she has continued to write and remained active in movements such as Occupy and the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign.

Davis has received various awards, including the Soviet Union's Lenin Peace Prize. Accused of supporting political violence, she has sustained criticism from the highest levels of the US government. She has also been criticized for supporting the Soviet Union and its satellites.^[6] Davis has been inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame.^[6] In 2020 she was listed as the 1971 "Woman of the Year" in *Time* magazine's "100 Women of the Year" edition, which covered the 100 years that began with women's suffrage in 1920.^[7]

Davis is included in *Time* magazine's 100 Most Influential People of 2020.^[8]



Other Critical Resistance co-founder Ruth Wilson Gilmore is just about what you'd expect.



Ruth Wilson Gilmore | Wikiwand

Ruth Wilson Gilmore is a prison abolitionist and prison scholar.^[4] She is the Director of the Center for Place, Culture, and Politics and professor of geography in Earth and Environmental Sciences a...

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Ruth Wilson Gilmore

Connected to: Ph.D. Rutgers University Graduate Center, CUNY

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Ruth Wilson Gilmore (born April 2, 1950) is a prison abolitionist and prison scholar.^[a] She is the Director of the Center for Place, Culture, and Politics and professor of geography in Earth and Environmental Sciences at The City University of New York.^[a] She has been credited with "more or less single-handedly" inventing the study of carceral geography,^[a] the "study of the interrelationships across space, institutions and political economy that shape and define modern incarceration."^[a] She received the 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Association of Geographers.^[a]



Early life and education

Ruth Wilson was born on April 2, 1950 in New Haven, Connecticut. Her father, Courtland Seymour Wilson, was a machinist and active in the union having been raised himself by a family active in the workers' union at Yale University. In 1960, she attended a private school in New Haven as the first, and mostly only, African American student. In 1968, she attended Swarthmore College where she became involved in campus politics and met Angela Davis' younger sister, Fania. Gilmore's cousin, John Huggins was a founding member of the Black Panthers' Southern California chapter and was murdered while she was at Swarthmore in 1969. Later that year, she enrolled in Yale where she obtained a degree in drama.^[a]

Career

Gilmore earned her Ph.D. from Rutgers University in 1998 in economic geography and social theory, inspired by the work of Neil Smith.^{[a][b]} After finishing her Ph.D. she was hired as an assistant professor at Berkeley and began working on her concept of carceral geography. Carceral geography examines the relationships between landscape,

Ruth Wilson Gilmore	
Gilmore in 2012	
Born	April 2, 1950 (age 70) ^[a] <div>New Haven, Connecticut,^[a] U.S.</div>
Occupation	scholar, professor
Academic background	
Alma mater	Rutgers University (Ph.D., 1998)
Thesis	From military Keynesianism to post-Keynesian militarism: Finance capital, land, labor, and opposition in the rising California prison state ^[a] (1998)
Doctoral advisor	Neil Smith ^{[a][b]}
Academic work	
Discipline	Geographer
Institutions	Graduate Center, CUNY, University of Southern California
Main interests	Prison-industrial complex, Race

They use a slogan which is actually a quote of Assata Shakur, "A wall is just a wall and nothing more at all. It can be broken down"

Assata being a notable member of the Black Power movement and the Black Liberation Army.

She was later found guilty of murder.

Assata Shakur

Connected to: [MOVE](#) [Cuba](#) [Black Panther Party](#)

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Assata Olughala Shakur (born **JoAnne Deborah Byron**; July 16, 1947, sometimes referred to by her married surname **Chesimard**) is a former member of the Black Liberation Army (BLA), who was convicted of being an accomplice in the first-degree murder of State Trooper Werner Foerster during a shootout on the New Jersey Turnpike in 1973. Shakur was also the target of the FBI's COINTELPRO (counterintelligence program) directed against Black Power movement groups and activists.^[1]

Born in Flushing, Queens, she grew up in New York City and Wilmington, North Carolina. After she ran away from home several times, her aunt, who would later act as one of her lawyers, took her in. She became involved in political activism at Borough of Manhattan Community College and City College of New York. After graduation, she began using the name Assata Shakur, and briefly joined the Black Panther Party. She then joined the BLA, a loosely knit offshoot of the Black Panthers, which was engaged in an armed struggle against the US government through tactics such as robbing banks and killing police officers and drug dealers.

Between 1971 and 1973, she was charged with several crimes and was the subject of a multi-state manhunt. In May 1973, Shakur was arrested after being wounded in a shootout on the New Jersey Turnpike. Also involved in the shootout were New Jersey State Troopers Werner Foerster and James Harper and BLA members Sundiata Acoli and Zayd Malik Shakur. Harper was wounded; Zayd was killed; Foerster was killed by Acoli. Between 1973 and 1977, Shakur was charged with murder, attempted murder, armed robbery, bank robbery, and kidnapping in relation to the shootout and six other incidents. She was acquitted on three of the charges and three were dismissed. In 1977, she was convicted of the murder of Foerster and of seven other felonies related to the shootout; her defense argued medical evidence suggested her innocence.

While serving a life sentence for murder, she escaped from the Clinton Correctional Facility for Women in 1979.



Assata Shakur



Born	JoAnne Deborah Byron July 16, 1947 (age 73) Jamaica, Queens, New York, U.S.
Known for	Murder conviction, one of the FBI's "Most Wanted Terrorists", friend of Afeni Shakur and Mutulu Shakur and often described as their son Tupac Shakur's "godmother" or "step-aunt" ^[2]

She was sentenced to life in prison, but escaped in 1979. She has been living in Cuba ever since.

home.^[3] She often ran away, staying with strangers and working for short periods of time, until she was taken in by her mother's sister Evelyn A. Williams, a civil rights worker, who lived in Manhattan.^[4] She has said that her aunt was the heroine of her childhood, as she was constantly introducing her to new things. She said that her aunt was very sophisticated and knew all kinds of things. She was brought up my alley because i [sic] was forever asking all kinds of questions. I wanted to know everything." Williams often took her to museums, theaters, and art galleries, and the conflicts that did rise between the two were typically due to Shakur's habit of lying.^[5]

Shakur converted to [Roman Catholicism](#) as a child and attended the all-girls Cathedral High School,^[6] for six months before transferring to public high school, which she attended until she dropped out. Shakur is no longer Catholic. She later earned a [General Educational Development](#) (GED) with her aunt's help.^[6] Often there were few, or no other black students in her high school class. Shakur later wrote teachers seemed surprised when she answered a question in class, as not expecting black people to be intelligent and engaged, and that what she was taught was a sugar-coated version of history that ignored the oppression suffered by people of color, especially in the United States. In her autobiography

she later wrote: "I didn't know what a fool they had made out

Escaped November 2, 1979;
40 years ago

This article is part of a series about
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Now here's where this gets interesting. Black Lives Matter is said to have really taken off during the Trayvon Martin verdict, right? And it all started with Alicia Garza's

Facebook post. Or so they say. But the first mentions of [#BLM](#) on Twitter are from this group.



I'm looking at the 3rd one, from FightSoulCities.



And for the record, Opal is the first of the trio to tweet BLM and doesn't do so until the 15th.

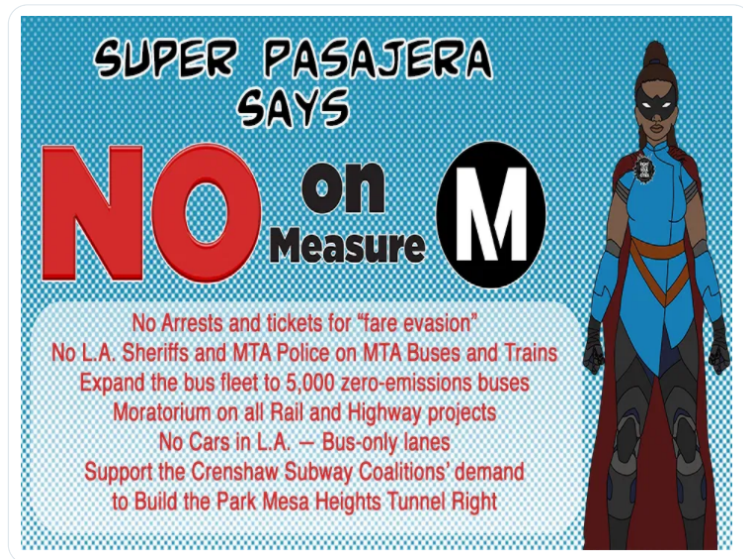


Fight for the Soul of Cities is a group based out of San Francisco "powered by the labor/community strategy center".

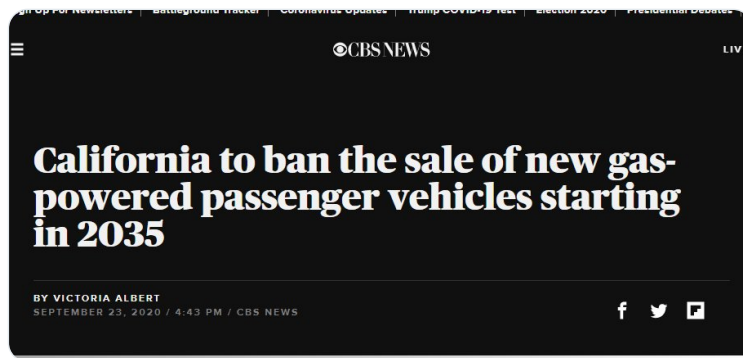
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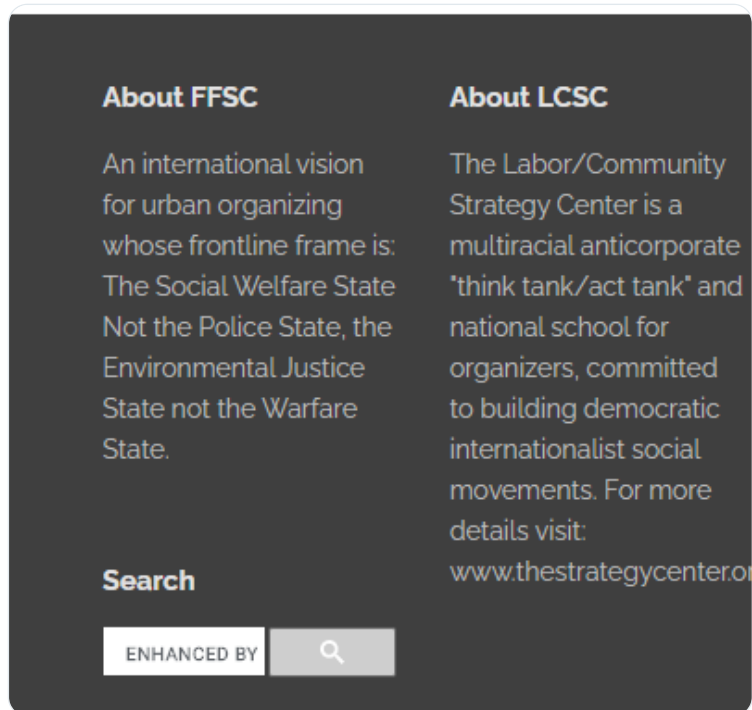
One of their platforms is to BAN CARS from LA.



Funnily enough, Gavin Newsom just passed legislation saying that California would ban the sale of gas-powered vehicles by 2035.



FFSC called themselves a group with "An international vision for urban organizing whose frontline frame is: The Social Welfare State Not the Police State, the Environmental Justice State not the Warfare State."



They are a part of a group of organizations under The Strategy Center. The Strategy Center is currently trying to ban police officers from being on city busses. They call it transit racism.





Their four main people are: Eric Mann, Barbara Lott-Holland, Channing Martinez, and Brigitte Amaya.



People

Visit the post for more.

<https://thestrategycenter.org/about/people/>



ERIC MANN

Director of the Strategy Center

a 48-year veteran in anti-war, labor, and environmental organizing (working extensively with Congress of Racial Equality, Students for a Democratic Society, and the United Auto Workers), graduate of Cornell University, author of seven books and two films on social movements and organizing theory, including Katrina's Legacy: White Racism and Black Reconstruction in New Orleans and the Gulf Coast and his most recent book, Playbook for Progressives: Qualities of the Successful Organizer. Eric was lead organizer of the 10 year campaign to Keep GM Van Nuys (auto plant) Open and worked on auto assembly lines for 8 years. In 2001 he was a delegate to the U.N. World Conference Against Racism in Durban, South Africa where he participated in the protests against the U.S. government's walk out. He returned to South Africa in 2002 as part of a Strategy Center delegation to the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg. He is co-host of Voices from the Frontlines radio show.

Read more about Eric Mann: [Click Here](#)

BARBARA LOTT-HOLLAND

Co-Chair
Bus Riders Union
Fight for the Soul of the Cities Campaign Representative
Community Rights Campaign

Recruited on the bus in 1988, Barbara has been a cornerstone of the organization since then. A resident of South LA and a transit-dependent bus rider for nearly four decades, Barbara has been elected by our members to the BRU's leadership body, the Planning Committee, for twelve years running. She has acted as Co-Chair of the Planning Committee and of the Monthly Membership Meeting for ten years. During that time, she has served as spokesperson and representative of the BRU in the media, with public officials in LA and Washington, and in national and international social movement forums. Barbara also sits on the Steering Committee of the Community Rights Campaign and represents the CRC in its coalition work. She is the only recipient of the Strategy Center's W.E.B. Dubois Fellowship (2009-2009).



CHANNING L. MARTINEZ

Director of Organizing
Producer of Voices from the Frontlines

Channing Martinez is a Black-Caribbean Queer Organizer with the Labor/Community Strategy Center in Los Angeles. He is also the producer of Voices from the Frontlines, on KPJK/Pacific Radio www.voicesfromthefrontlines.com. He can be reached at Channing@thestrategycenter.org.

BRIGETTE AMAYA

Lead Organizer

Brigette is the lead organizer. Brigette joined the Strategy Center as a student attending Augustus Hawkins High School. She is a graduate of the Strategy Center's Transformative Organizer Summer Program and now leads Taking Action Clubs at Hawkins, Roosevelt, and Ouchi High Schools. She can be reached at brigette@thestrategycenter.org.



Eric Mann is a civil rights organizer who worked with the Black Panther Party, was an active leader of the SDS faction of the Weathermen, which later would become Weather Underground, has shaped the environmental justice movement, & of course spearheaded the transit racism thing.

Eric Mann

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia
(Redirected from [Eric Mann \(civil rights organizer\)](#))

For the British philatelist and cricketer, see [Eric W. Mann](#). For the beef farmer and politician, see [Eric Mann](#).

Eric Mann (born December 4, 1942, Brooklyn, New York) is a civil rights, anti-war, labor, and environmental organizer whose career spans 50 years.^[1] He has worked with the Congress of Racial Equality, Newark Community Union Project, Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), the Black Panther Party, the United Automobile Workers (including eight years on auto assembly lines) and the New Directions Movement. He was also active as a leader of SDS faction the Weathermen, which later became the terrorist organization *Weather Underground*^[2]. He was arrested in September 1969 for participation in a direct action against the Harvard Center for International Affairs^{[3][4]} and sentenced to two years in prison on charges of conspiracy to commit murder after two bullets were fired through a window of the Cambridge police headquarters on November 8, 1969.^[5] He was also instrumental in the labor and community alliance that kept General Motors' assembly plant in Van Nuys, California open for ten years.^{[6][7]} Mann has been identified as instrumental in shaping the environmental justice movement in the U.S.^[8] He is also founder of the Labor/Community Strategy Center in Los Angeles, California and has been its director for 25 years. In addition, Mann is founder and co-chair of the Bus Riders Union, identifying what is now called "transit racism" and resulting in a precedent-setting civil rights lawsuit, Labor Community Strategy Center et al. v. MTA.^{[9][10]}

In addition, Mann is the author of books published by Beacon Press, Harper & Row and the University of California, which include *Taking on General Motors*, *The Seven Components of Transformative Organizing Theory* and *Playbook for Progressives: 16 Qualities of the Successful Organizer* and is known for his theory of transformative organizing and leadership of popular movements. Mann is host of the weekly radio show *Voices from the Frontlines: Your National Movement-Building Show* on KPFK Pacifica Radio 90.7 in Los Angeles.

Eric Mann	
Born	December 4, 1942 Brooklyn, New York
Alma mater	Cornell University
Known for	Congress of Racial Equality (Field Secretary) Students for a Democratic Society (New England Coordinator) Labor/Community Campaign to Keep GM Van Nuys Open (Lead Organizer) Labor/Community Strategy Center (Director) Weather Underground (Coordinator)
Website	voicesfromthefrontlines.com/

"Eric Mann was born 12/4/42 in Brooklyn NY into a Jewish home rooted in "anti-fascist, working class, pro-union, pro-'Negro', internationalist, & socialist traditions." Both sides of his family were Jews who fled the Russian Empire during anti-Semitic pogroms of the early 1900s."

He was also a delegate to the UN during the 2002 World Summit on Sustainable Development.

[Management District](#) implemented a "right to know" statute in which community residents were given information about the chemicals they were exposed to and the corporations that were producing them.^[37]

In 2001, Mann was a delegate to the U.N. World Conference Against Racism in Durban, South Africa and returned to South Africa in 2002 as part of a Strategy Center NGO delegation to the World Summit on Sustainable Development in Johannesburg.^[38]

In 1992 Mann and the Strategy Center founded the Bus Riders Union (BRU) with a group of Black and Latino bus riders and started organizing on the buses of Los Angeles.^[39] Working with the National Association for the

Eric Mann was also Patrisse Cullor's mentor for a decade while at the Labor Community Strategy Center.



So when she says here that she is a trained Marxist. Eric Mann is the one who trained her.



In an article written in 1969 for the Harvard Crimson, an interaction with Mann's group is described:

"Several slogans-including "Pig," "Fuck U.S. Imperialism," and "Imperialists Screw All Women" -were sprayed on walls of the building. -

The Harvard Crimson

Band Invades, Violently Disrupts Center for International Affairs

By David Blumenthal and William R. Galeota
September 26, 1969

A band of some 20 to 30 persons invaded the Center for International Affairs shortly after noon yesterday, roughing up several staff members and employees before running away from the building less than 15 minutes later.

The invaders, who shouted that they were "going to close the place down," forced virtually all of the 30-odd students, faculty, and employees in the building to leave. When some of those present attempted to argue, they were struck, pushed to the floor, or kicked. Benjamin H. Brown, advisor to the fellows in the Center, was the most seriously injured, requiring several stitches to close a gash over his ear.

Damage to offices was minor. Several slogans-including "Pig," "Fuck U.S. Imperialism," and "Imperialists Screw All Women" -were sprayed on walls of the building. Rocks thrown by the band as they left broke several windows. One telephone was ripped out to prevent a student from notifying police.

No Files Taken

An inventory revealed that no files appeared to have been taken from the Center. Staff members said that the files were locked up early this year.

Witnesses inside the Center said they did not recognize those who entered the building, but some felt they could identify their attackers if they saw them again.

-Rocks thrown by the band as they left broke several windows. One telephone was ripped out to prevent a student from notifying police."

<https://www.thecrimson.com/article/1969/9/26/band-invades-violently-disrupts-center-for/>

The band—all of whom appeared to be of college age—identified themselves as members of SDS. Undergraduates who saw the group leaving the building, chanting "Ho, Ho, Ho Chi Minh; NLF is going to win," said they recognized some of them as members of "Weatherman," a militant spin-off from the old New Left Caucus of SDS.

Not Authorized

The Weatherman faction is opposed to the main body of Harvard SDS, which adheres to the Worker-Student Alliance. Elizabeth Harvey '71, a member of the executive committee of Harvard SDS, last night condemned the action and said it had not been authorized by any SDS meeting.

"I feel that these kinds of actions, carried out in the name of SDS, are designed to do nothing but isolate SDS from students and the community..." she said in a letter, the full text of which will appear in Saturday's CRIMSON.

The Center for International Affairs is primarily funded by the Ford Foundation. The Faculty members and Research Associates affiliated with the Center work on a variety of research projects, including economic development, arms control, and studies of European nations and underdeveloped countries. The Center has been the object of leftist criticism for alleged complicity in counter-revolutionary warfare.

One secretary in the Center said she had seen suspicious groups of youths wandering through the building on several days earlier this week—perhaps in preparation for the attack.

When the Center was invaded about 12:10, many of its occupants had already gone to lunch. One seminar—"Political Participation"—was in progress on the second floor, while other personnel, including students staff members, and secretaries, were in various parts of the building.

The Harvard Crimson

secretaries, were in various parts of the building.

As the invading group entered one of them shouted "We are from SDS and we are liberating this building. Everybody out." Several went to the office of Professor Robert R. Bowie, director of the Center, who was not present. They ordered Miss Sally Cox, his secretary, to leave and when she refused they seized her by both arms.

Shouting slogans and obscenities, the attackers quickly spread through the building. Six or seven went into the second floor seminar room, where Ronald Bruner, a fellow in the Center on leave from the University of Michigan, refused to leave and instead began arguing with the intruders. Bruner was kicked in the groin, fell to the floor stunned, and was kicked again, another seminar participant said. Bruner was then forced out.

Shaking Fists

The situation was much the same in the library and other rooms on the third floor. "I saw 12 to 15 people entering yelling and shaking their fists," said Barbara Wollison, a secretary who was dragged out after she refused to go. Two other secretaries were also dragged down the stairs from their third floor offices.

Brown said he received his head gash as he attempted to intercede when several radicals were "roughing up" one of the secretaries. "I was hit from behind," he said.

Also on the third floor, Research Associate Otto Kruger was struck in the face when he attempted to pick up his brief case and, unhurt, was pulled downstairs. Librarian Maury Feld, James R. Kurth, assistant professor of Government, and others were also grabbed and forced to leave.

One of those present on the third floor said of the invaders, "It's my guess that they were kind of hysterical. Two or three of them were out of their minds. They wanted to beat up someone."

As the band left the building, throwing rocks as they went, they are reported to have said they made the attack "because thousands of people are dying."

Sound familiar? Not much has changed to be honest...

Even more worrisome, in 2010, Patrisse was part of a forum in Detroit where they discuss transformative organizing.

<https://web.archive.org/web/20111227070848/http://www.thestrategycenter.org/transformative-organizing>

Workshop Panelists

Eric Mann (Labor/Community Strategy Center)
Steve Williams (People Organized to Win Employment Rights)
Cindy Weisner (Grassroots Global Justice)

Ng'ethe Maina (Social Justice Leadership),
Ai-jen Poo (National Domestic Workers Alliance),
Patrisse Cullors (Labor/Community Strategy Center)

VOICES FROM THE WORKSHOP

Steve Williams (POWER) on "Component #2 The transformative organizer is a conscious agent of change"

All too often, I have conversations with organizers who have these very progressive left politics independently. But then when they go in and do their organizing, they all of a sudden have this justification as to why they can't talk about socialism or ending the war or environmental justice. It's as if we begin to distrust the people that we're organizing with. To me, one of the most important points that comes out of this pamphlet is that we have a high-level of trust in the people that we're organizing, that our people actually see the possibility of a better world, and they want to make those connections.

Cindy Weisner (Grassroots Global Justice) on "Component #7 Transformative organizing requires a transformative political program"

How do you actually put out demands that don't sell out another community or basically compromise you for the long term? It's not to say that we are utopian; it's about counterhegemonic demands. Because if we win something but in the process lose a lot of our allies, then that's not a win. And how we define wins is very important to think through.

Ng'ethe Maina (Social Justice Leadership) on "Component #6 Transformative Organizing transforms the organizers"

As we try and transform the structures and systems around people--through all the very good fights that we're doing--the assumption is that if you change the conditions around people, then that's going to allow people to change and to begin to lead good lives. But we're not immune from the toxicity of capitalism. It is a gamble to believe that simply changing the conditions around any of us is going to remove the toxicity of oppression from inside us.

Ai-jen Poo (National Domestic Workers Alliance) on "Component #5 Transformative Organizing becomes truly transformative in the heat of battle"

When I think about transformative organizing I think about change on multiple levels. There's the change that you're trying to make in the system, the way that it works. And you're also trying to transform the movement to be more dynamic. And you're trying to transform your own organization to be stronger. And then to transform yourself, to learn, grow, be better in the world, be better at what you do. And to me the best container and vehicle for these types of transformation to happen all at once in different ways is through campaigns, through fights.

Patrisse Cullors (Labor/Community Strategy Center) on "Component #3 Transformative Organizing requires the leadership of society's most exploited, oppressed, and strategically placed classes"

I grew up as a working class, queer, Black woman, in a single-parent household. My father was in and out of prison. There was addiction, him and my brother--basically my family's life is typical of Black working class people. And that positionality in this country is supposed to devastate us. It's supposed to make us feel like we cannot do anything, debilitate us, and unfortunately, it's done that successfully to some of us. But what it means to be a transformative organizer is to bring this politic into our communities and explain to them that actually your experience is exactly what we need to fight this thing.

[Watch the workshop video.](#)

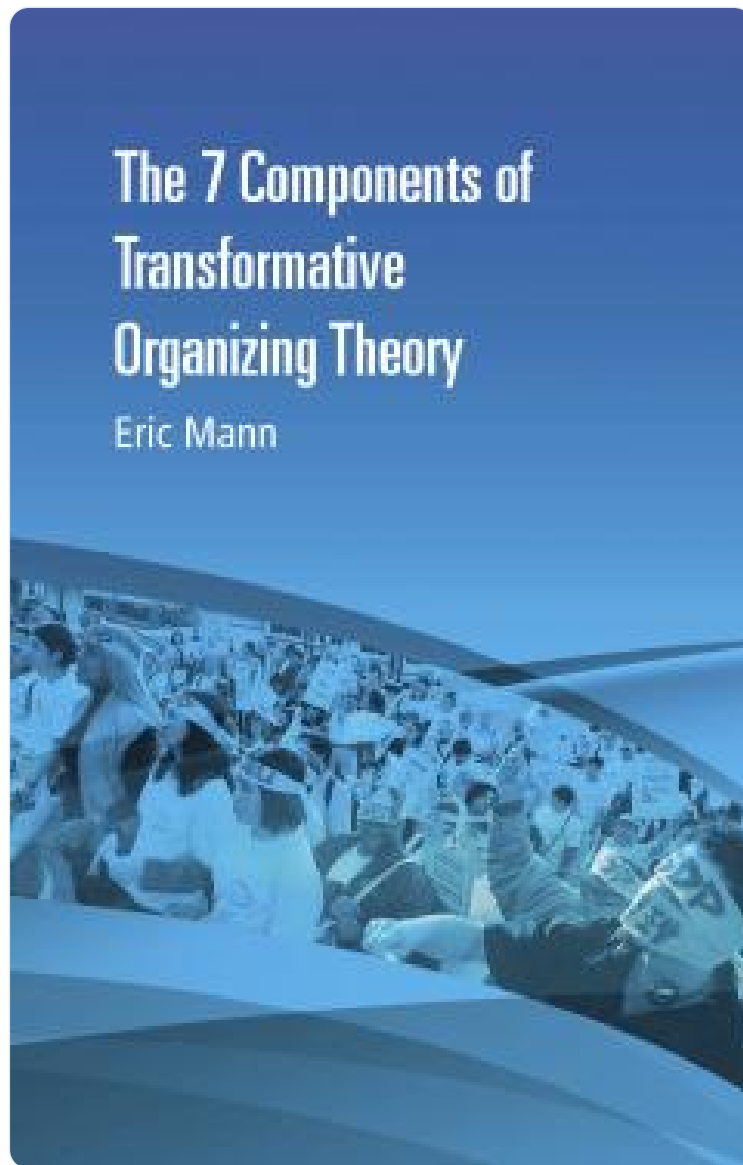
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This was in 2010, mind you.

"Transformative organizing transforms the consciousness of people who participate in the process of building organizations, struggles, and movements."

"Transformative organizing transforms organizers as they stand up to the Right, reach out to the people, & take on the system."

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Transformative organizing is based on an analysis that the United States is a structurally racist, imperialist power. Driven by the need to relentlessly expand that is characteristic of advanced capitalism, the U.S. operates domestically and internationally to control the economies and governments of every nation in the world—especially the nations and peoples of the Third World in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. That is why it calls itself “the superpower.” Transformative organizing, therefore, is situated in a worldwide movement with a strategy to challenge the U.S. Empire.

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One critical goal of the ruling classes—those who own and control the means of production, consumption, education, and armed force—is to achieve political loyalty and voluntary obedience from the classes and peoples they dominate. Their political system puts on an ideological full court press that is carried out through government, the corporations and employers, the family, schools, media, trade unions, and churches. When it succeeds, many exploited and oppressed peoples come to accept the established relationships of class, race, and gender domination. They believe these power relations are natural, part of some moral master plan, or just inevitable. When they do seek social change, they tacitly agree to limit their demands to reforms within the ground rules of the dominant system. Transformative organizers challenge the moral legitimacy and ideological hegemony of the capitalist system and its historical master narrative of empire building.

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Transformative organizing generates social movements that involve members from all classes of society—from the most privileged to the most oppressed. Yet a winning strategy is based on analyzing the forces most capable of leading that movement. Given the specific history of the United States as a settler state built on genocide, slavery, stolen lands and stolen peoples, certain radical organized forces have led historic struggles against U.S. atrocities and have proven to be the most successful leaders of the resistance.

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From the first days of Spanish, French, British, and later U.S. colonization of the Americas and the first moments of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade, there have been spontaneous and organized forms of resistance. Throughout U.S. history, many transformative organizations have fought for radical objectives against the U.S. Empire. What are some of the key characteristics from which we can evaluate and build organizations today?

5. Transformative organizing becomes truly transformative in the course of battle.

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The true assessment of the effectiveness of an organization and its organizers can only be measured in practice—in the actual struggle for power. An organization’s success is ultimately judged by its capacity to take on powerful corporate and government forces, put forth radical demands, and wage long-term battles. Transformative organizers and organizations build their reputation in high visibility campaigns that fight for and often win important structural changes and improvements in the lives of real people.

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A fundamental premise of transformative organizing is that social being creates social consciousness; that is, the consciousness of organizers is shaped by their location and their experiences in the social system. At first a garment worker, a bus rider, a farm worker may decide to “just get a little involved” in a social movement. But as they change from observer to activist to organizer, their consciousness changes. As they fight the company that has not paid their wages, defend neighbors who are being deported, organize co-workers in the sweatshops to demand better pay for their piece work, ask for longer breaks from their employer as they pick avocados in the brutal heat, fight off sexual harassment in the workplace and police harassment in the school yard, they experience changes, often monumental changes, in their consciousness.

7. Transformative organizing requires a transformative political program.

7. Transformative organizing requires a transformative political program. Transformative organizing is best understood by its coherent program of concrete demands that force the system to make radical structural changes. Protestors, organizers, revolutionaries are often asked, "What is it that you people want?" When people consider joining a movement for radical change, their first question is, "What are we fighting for?" Throughout history, transformative demands have motivated the strongest social movements with the greatest mass participation, militancy, and duration. What are some current demands that can shape a political program?

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These are the same people, ten years later, that are shaping Joe Biden's political platform entirely.

Dear Vice President Biden, June 11, 2020

We write to you in a time of nationwide mourning. Once again, our country is reeling from the killings of several Black people at the hands of the police, and a being forced to contend with a truth that Black communities have always known: that violence and racism pervades and defines our policing and criminal justice systems. That the murders of George Floyd, Tony McDade, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Eric Garner, Tamir Rice, Michael Brown, Philando Castile and so many more are symptoms of a far larger problem, one that has made the very act of being Black in this country—driving while Black, jogging while Black, even voting while Black—into a liability and a danger.

Black people are disproportionately stopped, searched, arrested, and killed by the police. Black people disproportionately fall victim to mandatory minimum sentencing, punitive school discipline policies, predatory cash bail, and other practices that feed a prison industrial complex intent on locking people in cages. Black people are disproportionately likely to get sick and die from heart disease and diabetes, from environmental pollution, and now from the coronavirus. These inequities are a tragedy and an outrage, the outcomes of a system designed to subjugate Black communities and other communities of color. Now more than ever, we need a President ready to fight for true, transformative justice.

In the course of your political career, you have designed and endorsed policies that have significantly exacerbated these problems. As a Senator, you not only supported but in many cases authored and championed laws that expanded mass incarceration, increased police powers, and exacerbated racial disparities in surveillance and sentencing.¹ These laws broke apart Black communities and robbed many young Black people of a future. They are a part of the history that has led us to this moment, and their ongoing fallout has contributed to the outpourings of grief and anger we are seeing today.

As the presumptive Democratic nominee for President, you have a moral responsibility in this moment. Making amends for the harm you've caused is an important first step, but it is no longer enough. We acknowledge that you've taken some positive positions—including calling for a federal ban on police chokeholds—but these too are far from sufficient. In order to rise to this occasion, you must put forward a transformative and comprehensive policing and criminal justice platform that shifts how we approach public safety and allows Black communities in particular to thrive.

¹ "Joe Biden's long record supporting the war on drugs and mass incarceration, explained," Vox, July 2019.

As progressive organizations representing millions of active members across the country—all of whom want justice for George Floyd and Breonna Taylor—we call on you to make the following commitments:

- Immediately incorporate the policies laid out by the [Movement for Black Lives](#) into your campaign platform, and announce the specific changes publicly. This includes their critical demands for interventions that will end state violence against Black people, and the economic exploitation of Black communities, advance reparations, and defund police, prisons, and weaponry so we can fully fund healthcare, housing, education, and environmental justice.²
- This past week in USA Today³ and New York Magazine⁴, you once again leaned into your support of the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program by asking for an investment of \$300 million. We are here to tell you, unequivocally, that that is **NOT** the answer. The COPS program has directly contributed to the increased size and scope of policing in cities across the country, and the subsequent stream of violence and killings perpetrated by law enforcement on Black people in particular. Because of its intention to legitimize police forces through "community policing" the program resulted in an expansion of training programs that included the combat and threat neutralization techniques that led to the horrific killings of children like Tamir Rice. The COVID-19 crisis and accompanying economic loss, paired with the brazen and violent behavior of police forces, has demonstrated the need for a nationwide reimagining of public safety that does not include further allocation of federal resources to police. We ask that you revise your platform to ensure that the federal government permanently ends and ceases any further appropriation of funding to local law enforcement in any form, whether it be money for trainings, equipment, hiring, re-hiring, overtime, etc. including all programs under the COPS program, and redirect those and additional resources towards much needed community-led and community-controlled public safety efforts.

We make these demands first and foremost because we seek justice for George Floyd and Breonna Taylor—as well as all the other Black lives lost—and policies like these are what justice looks like in practice. But we also make them with an eye toward the November election. Throughout his presidency, but particularly in the last few weeks, we've seen Donald Trump fan

² The [Vision for Justice 2020 agenda](#) compiled by the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights and several of our own organizations provides another detailed resource to inform your campaign's response. It proposes a "holistic framework that expands our view of public safety and prioritizes upfront investments in non carceral programs and social services, including additional resources for education, housing, employment, health care, social-emotional supports, and other public benefits."

³ Biden, Joe. "We must urgently root out systemic racism, from policing to housing to opportunity," <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2020/06/10/biden-not-out-systemic-racism-not-just-divisive-trump-pick-column/5275310002/>, USA Today, 2020.

⁴ Kilgore, Ed. "Biden supports reforming, not defunding the police," www.nymag.com/news/politics/2020/06/biden-wants-to-reform-not-defund-police.html, New York Magazine, 2020.

the flames of racism and uplift the voices of white supremacists. He has declared war on protesters demanding racial justice, and ordered governors, police forces, and the military to "dominate" us in the streets. He is unfit for office, and we must defeat him--and the Republican Party that enables him--at the ballot box in November.

You cannot win the election without the enthusiastic support of Black voters, and how you act in this moment of crisis will play a big role in determining how Black voters--and all voters concerned with racial justice--respond to your candidacy. A "return to normalcy" will not suffice. For too many Black people, "normalcy" has meant violence, discrimination, and fear. What we actually need is a visionary departure from "normal." We need a restorative justice system that values every human life, and enshrines equity above all. We need leadership that will fight every day to align this country with its highest ideals. We are counting on you to demonstrate that leadership.

Signed,

Black Voters Matter (National)

Black Leaders Organizing Communities (WI)

National Council for Incarcerated and Formerly Incarcerated Women and Girls

Justice Teams Network

BYP100

Drug Policy Action

Working Families Party (National)

Flint Rising (MI)

215 People's Alliance (PA)

Action NC

Detroit Action

Action Now Chicago

Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment

Mijente (National)

RootsAction (National)

United We Dream Action (National)

Center for Popular Democracy Action (National)

People's Action (National)

Arkansas Community Organizations

CASA in Action (PA, VI and MD)

Churches United for Fair Housing Action (NY)

Communities Creating Opportunity Action (MO)

Dream Defenders

Everyday People PAC (Seed the Vote & Generation Rising - National)

Hoosier Action (IN)

Equality Labs (National)

Living United for Change in Arizona (AZ)

Jewish Voice for Peace Action

Maine People's Alliance

League of United Latin American Citizens (National)

Make the Road Action (National)

Maryland Communities United

New Florida Majority

New Virginia Majority

New York Communities for Change

Ohio Organizing Collaborative

One Pennsylvania

Organization United for Respect

Organize Florida

Organizing in the Land of Enchantment (NM)

<https://int.nyt.com/data/documenthelper/7024-groups-letter-to-biden-on-cops/32bc37ca38ee340f4303/optimized/full.pdf#page=1>

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Rights and Democracy (VT and NH)
Step Up for Action (LA)
Student Action (National)
Sunrise Movement (National)
Texas Organizing Project
Take Action Minnesota
United for a New Economy Action (CO)
Voices of Community Activists and Leaders-NY Action Fund (NY)
Workers Defense Project Action Fund (TX)
Working Washington
Policing and Social Justice Project

On August 14, 2017, Patrisse Cullors stated that they were fighting for equality. And that hate speech isn't protected by the first amendment.



<https://www.youtube.com/embed/d6qfSW1UjE8>



It is also worth noting that the Black Panthers used to hand out Mao's Red Book and made it required reading for their group.

Stokely Carmichael: [The Basis of Black Power](#)

In the beginning of 1968, after selling [Mao's Red Book](#) to university students in order to buy shotguns, the Party makes the book required reading. Meanwhile, the FBI, under J. Edgar Hoover, begins a program called COINTELPRO (counterintelligence program) to break up the spreading unity of revolutionary groups that had begun solidifying through the work and example of the Panthers — the Peace and Freedom Party, Brown Berets, Students for a Democratic Society, the SNCC, SCLC, Poor People's March, Cesar Chavez and others in the farm labor movement, the American Indian Movement, Young Puerto Rican Brothers, the Young Lords and many others. To destroy the party, the FBI begins with a program of surgical assassinations — killing leading members of the party who they know cannot be otherwise subverted. Following these mass killings would be a series of arrests, followed by a program of psychological warfare, designed to split the party both politically and morally through the use of espionage, provocatures, and chemical warfare.

[Warning to So-Called "Paper Panthers"](#), *The Black Panther*, September 28, 1968

<https://www.marxists.org/reference/archive/mao/works/red-book/index.htm>

Mao Tse Tung Quotations from Mao Tse Tung

1. The Communist Party

The force at the core leading our cause forward is the Chinese Communist Party. The theoretical basis guiding our thinking is Marxism-Leninism.

Opening address at the First Session of the First National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (September 15, 1954).

If there is to be a revolution, there must be a revolutionary party. Without a revolutionary party, without a party built on the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary theory and in the Marxist-Leninist revolutionary style, it is impossible to lead the working class and the broad masses of the people to defeating imperialism and its running dogs.

"Revolutionary Form of the World Class, Fight Against Imperialist Aggression" (December 1965), Selected Works, Vol. IV, p. 284.*

Without the efforts of the Chinese Communist Party, without the Chinese Communists as the mainstay of the Chinese people, China can never achieve independence and liberation, or industrialization and the modernization of her agriculture.

"On Coalition Government" (April 24, 1945), Selected Works, Vol. III, p. 318.*

The Chinese Communist Party is the core of leadership of the whole Chinese people. Without this core, the cause of socialism cannot be victorious.

Talk at the general reception for the delegates to the Third National Congress of the New Democratic Youth League of China (May 25, 1957).

A well-disciplined Party armed with the theory of Marxism-Leninism, using the method of self-criticism and linked with the masses of the people, on any under the leadership of such a Party, a united front of all revolutionary classes and all revolutionary groups under the leadership of such a Party - these are the three main weapons with which we have defeated the enemy.

"On the People's Democratic Dictatorship" (June 30, 1949), Selected Works, Vol. IV, p. 422.

We must have faith in the masses and we must have faith in the Party. These are two cardinal principles. If we doubt these principles, we shall accomplish nothing.

On the Question of Agricultural Co-operation (July 31, 1955), 3rd ed., p. 7.*

Armed with Marxist-Leninist theory and ideology, the Communist Party of China has brought a new style of work to the Chinese people. A style of work which essentially entails integrating theory with practice, forging close links with the masses and practicing self-criticism.

No political party can possibly lead a great revolutionary movement to victory unless it possesses revolutionary theory and knowledge of history and has a professional group of the practical movement.

"The Role of the Chinese Communist Party in the National War" (October 1939), Selected Works, Vol. II, p. 208.

Mao Tse Tung Quotations from Mao Tse Tung

2. Classes and Class Struggle

Classes struggle, some classes triumph, others are eliminated. Such is history; such is the history of civilization for thousands of years. To interpret history from this viewpoint is historical materialism, standing in opposition to this viewpoint is historical idealism.

"Can Army Illusions, Prepare for Struggle" (August 14, 1949), Selected Works, Vol. IV, p. 428.

In class society, everyone lives as a member of a particular class, and every kind of thinking, without exception, is stamped with the brand of a class.

"On Practice" (July 1937), Selected Works, Vol. I, p. 296.

Changes in society are due chiefly to the development of the internal contradictions in society, that is, the contradiction between the productive forces and the relations of production, the contradiction between classes and the contradiction between the old and the new; it is the development of these contradictions that pushes society forward and gives the impetus for the suppression of the old society by the new.

"On Contradictions" (August 1937), Selected Works, Vol. I, p. 314.

The ruthless economic exploitation and political oppression of the peasants by the landlord class forced them into numerous uprisings against its rule... It was the class struggles of the peasants, the peasant uprisings and peasant wars that constituted the real motive force of historical development in Chinese feudal society.

"The Chinese Revolution and the Chinese Communist Party" (December 1939), Selected Works, Vol. II, p. 308.*

In the final analysis, national struggle is a matter of class struggle. Among the whites in the United States, it is only the reactionary ruling circles that oppress the black people. They can in no way represent the workers, farmers, revolutionary intellectuals and other enlightened persons who comprise the overwhelming majority of the white people.

"Statement Supporting the American Negroes in Their Just Struggle Against Racial Discrimination by U.S. Imperialism" (August 6, 1963), People of the World, Unite and Defeat the U.S. Aggressors and All Their Lackeys, 2nd ed., pp. 3-4.*

It is up to us to organize the people. As for the reactionaries in China, it is up to us to organize the people to overthrow them. Everything reactionary is the same; if you do not hit it, it will not fall. This is also like sweeping the floor, as a rule, where the broom does not reach, the dust will not vanish of itself.

"The Situation and Our Policy After the Victory in the War of Resistance Against Japan" (August 13, 1945), Selected Works, Vol. IV, p. 7.

The enemy will not perish of himself. Neither will the Chinese reactionaries nor the aggressive forces of U.S. imperialism in China step down from the stage of history of their own accord.

"Carry the Revolution Through to the End" (December 10, 1948), Selected Works, Vol. IV, p. 301.

A revolution is not a dinner party, or writing an essay, or painting a picture, or doing embroidery; it cannot be

Mao Tse Tung Quotations from Mao Tse Tung

Socialism and Communism

Communism is at once a complete system of proletarian ideology and a new social system. It is different from any other ideological and social system, and is the most complete, progressive, revolutionary and rational system in human history. The ideological and social system of feudalism has a place only in the museum of history. The ideological and social system of capitalism has also become a museum piece in one part of the world (in the Soviet Union), while in other countries it resembles "a dying person who is sinking fast, like the sun setting beyond the western hills", and will soon be relegated to the museum. The communist ideological and social system alone is full of youth and vitality, sweeping the world with the momentum of an avalanche and the force of a thunderbolt.

"On New Democracy" (January 1940), Selected Works, Vol. II, pp. 360-61.*

The socialist system will eventually replace the capitalist system; this is an objective law independent of man's will. However much the reactionaries try to hold back the wheel of history, eventually revolution will take place and will inevitably triumph.

"Speech at the Meeting of the Supreme Soviet of the USSR in Celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution" (December 6, 1957).

We Communists never conceal our political views. Definitely and beyond all doubt, our future or maximum

program is to carry China forward to socialism and communism. Both the name of our Party and our Marxist world outlook unequivocally point to this supreme ideal of the future, a future of incomparable brightness and splendor.

"On Coalition Government" (April 24, 1945), Selected Works, Vol. III, p. 282. *

Taken as a whole, the Chinese revolutionary movement led by the Communist Party embraces the two stages, i.e., the democratic and the socialist revolutions, which are two essentially different revolutionary processes, and the second process can be carried through only after the first has been completed. The democratic revolution is the necessary preparation for the socialist revolution, and the socialist revolution is the inevitable sequel to the democratic revolution. The ultimate aim for which all communists strive is to bring about a socialist and communist society.

"The Chinese Revolution and the Chinese Communist Party" (December 1939), Selected Works, Vol. II, pp. 130-31. *

Socialist revolution aims at liberating the productive forces. The changeover from individual to socialist, collective ownership in agriculture and handicrafts and from capitalist to socialist ownership in private industry and commerce is bound to bring about a tremendous liberation of the productive forces. Thus, the social conditions are being created for a tremendous expansion of industrial and agricultural production.

Speech at the Supreme State Conference (January 25, 1956).

We are now carrying out a revolution not only in the social system, the change from private to public ownership, but also in technology, the change from handicraft to large-scale modern machine production, and the two revolutions are interconnected. In agriculture, with conditions as they are in our country co-operation must precede the use of big machinery (in capitalist countries agriculture develops in a capitalist way). Therefore we

Mao Tse Tung
Quotations from Mao Tse Tung

4. The Correct Handling of Contradictions Among the People

Two types of social contradictions - those between ourselves and the enemy and those among the people themselves confront us. The two are totally different in their nature.

On the Correct Handling of Contradictions Among the People (February 27, 1957), first printed ed., p. 2.

To understand these two different types of contradictions correctly, we must first be clear on what is meant by "the people" and what is meant by "the enemy". ... At the present stage, the period of building socialism, the classes, strata and social groups which favour, support and work for the cause of socialist construction all come within the category of the people, while the social forces and groups which resist the socialist revolution and are hostile to or sabotage socialist construction are all enemies of the people.

ibid. pp. 2-3.

In the conditions prevailing in China today, the contradictions among the people comprise the contradictions within the working class, the contradictions within the peasantry, the contradictions within the intellectuals, the contradictions between the working class and the peasantry, the contradictions between the workers and peasants on the one hand and the intellectuals on the other, the contradictions between the working class and other sections of the working people on the one hand and the national bourgeoisie on the other, the contradictions within the

And here's a 1998 interview with PBS with Angela Davis about the Black Panthers and Capitalism, etc.

<https://www.marxists.org/history/usa/workers/black-panthers/1998/01/xo1.htm>

*Angela Davis: **PBS Interview in 1998:** "We can't think narrowly about movements for black liberation and we can't necessarily see this class division as simply a product or a certain strategy that black movements have developed for liberation.... We have to look at for example the increasing globalization of capital, the whole system of transitional capitalism now which has had an impact on black populations — that has for example eradicated large numbers of jobs that black people traditionally have been able to count upon and created communities where the tax base is lost now as a result of corporations moving to the third world in order to discover cheap labor."*

When asked in 2018, what skills were needed to build a movement, Patrisse said: " I went through a year-long organising programme" led by the LCSC. We read anything from "Marx, to Lenin, to Mao."



How the founder of Black Lives Matter started a global movement

We meet Patrisse Khan-Cullors to talk about what preparation goes into creating a new future and building a better world

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Historically, the people (and particularly women) behind movements are erased, while the movement itself takes on a life of own – as with Black Lives Matter, a movement that is now largely divorced from its queer, black, female origins. The skills that building a successful movement take are similarly erased: there is more to BLM than a hashtag, for instance. What skillsets are required to build a movement?

Patrisse Khan-Cullors: It's not all intuitive, it's deeply scientific, thinking about how to build a movement and make it grow. There is such a thing as being a trained campaigner, as well as being self-taught where you learn by example. I went through a year-long organising programme at the National School for Strategic Organising (NSSO), and it was led by the Labour Community Strategy Centre. We spent the year reading, anything from Marx, to Lenin, to Mao, learning all types of global critical theory and about different campaigns across the world, and most importantly every day, five days a week we were out on the ground actively recruiting people into the organisation we were in, as a way to learn how to bring people in, how to keep them in an organisation. There's an entire skillset to this.

At the DNC this year Patrisse said, "Without the sea changes our movement recommended for the 2020 Dem platform, any claims to allyship and solidarity with our work to fight for Black liberation are for naught" in efforts to push the BREATHE Act.



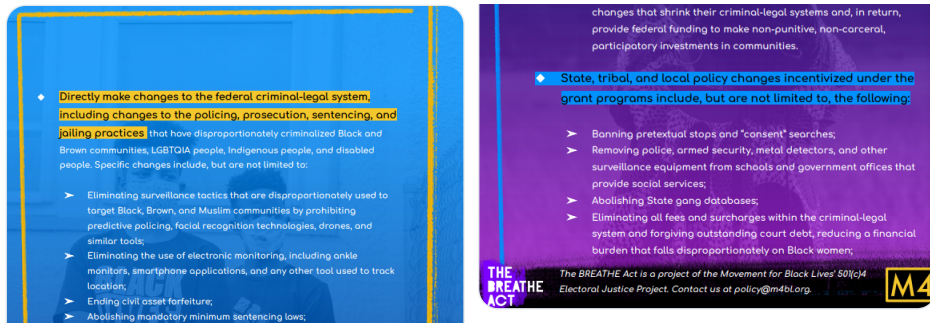
BLM Takes On The DNC, Tells Dems Party Platform Needs To Be More ...

Co-founder of the Black Lives Matter movement, Patrisse Cullors, addressed the Democratic National Convention's party platform committee Monday and

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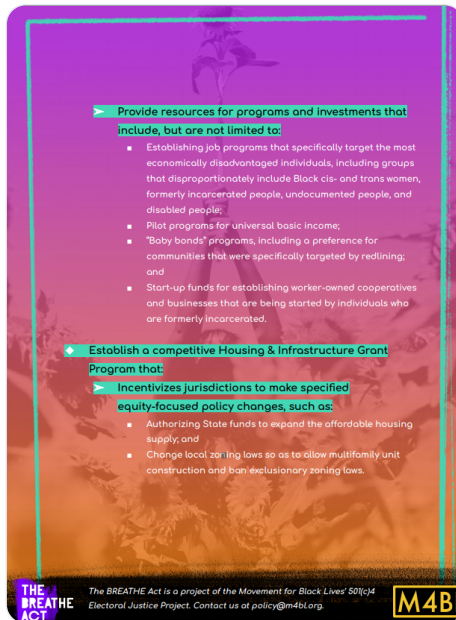
It would greatly reduce the DoD budget. Change policing, prosecution, sentencing, and jailing practices. Federally incentivize non-punitive public safety measures.



Dismantle ICE. Close youth detention facilities. Develop critical race theory curriculum. Push the radical climate agenda. Eliminate laws from barring formerly incarcerated people from having custody of their kids.



Universal Basic Income. Allow multifamily unit construction in any zones. Green infrastructure. Reparations for criminals.



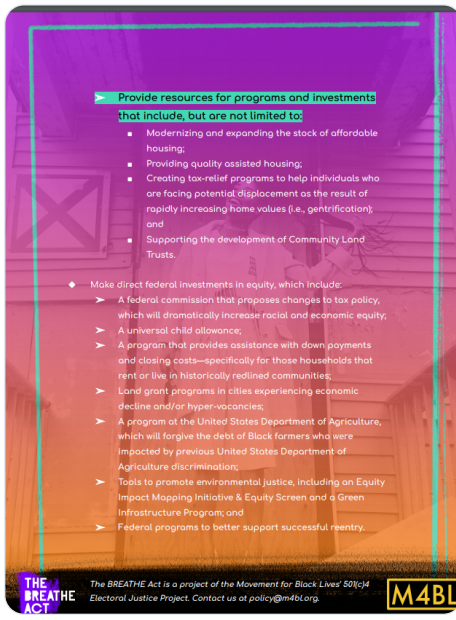
➤ Provide resources for programs and investments that include, but are not limited to:

- Establishing job programs that specifically target the most economically disadvantaged individuals, including groups that disproportionately include Black cis- and trans women, formerly incarcerated people, undocumented people, and disabled people;
- Pilot programs for universal basic income;
- "Baby bonds" programs, including a preference for communities that were specifically targeted by redlining; and
- Start-up funds for establishing worker-owned cooperatives and businesses that are being started by individuals who are formerly incarcerated.

◆ Establish a competitive Housing & Infrastructure Grant Program that:

- Incentivizes jurisdictions to make specified equity-focused policy changes, such as:
 - Authorizing State funds to expand the affordable housing supply; and
 - Change local zoning laws so as to allow multifamily unit construction and ban exclusionary zoning laws.

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➤ Provide resources for programs and investments that include, but are not limited to:

- Modernizing and expanding the stock of affordable housing;
- Providing quality assisted housing;
- Creating tax-relief programs to help individuals who are facing potential displacement as the result of rapidly increasing home values (i.e., gentrification); and
- Supporting the development of Community Land Trusts.

◆ Make direct federal investments in equity, which include:

- A federal commission that proposes changes to tax policy, which will dramatically increase racial and economic equity;
- A universal child allowance;
- A program that provides assistance with down payments and closing costs—specifically for those households that rent or live in historically redlined communities;
- Land grant programs in cities experiencing economic decline and/or hyper-vacancies;
- A program at the United States Department of Agriculture, which will forgive the debt of Black farmers who were impacted by previous United States Department of Agriculture discrimination;
- Tools to promote environmental justice, including an Equity Impact Mapping Initiative & Equity Screen and a Green Infrastructure Program; and
- Federal programs to better support successful reentry.

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Holding Officials Accountable & Enhancing Self-Determination of Black Communities

THE BILL WOULD:

- ◆ Require Congress to acknowledge and address the lasting harms that it has caused, specifically through:**
 - Passing H.R.40 ("Commission to Study Reparation Proposals for African-Americans Act"); and
 - Establishing commissions that design reparations for mass criminalization—including the War on Drugs, the criminalization of prostitution, and police violence, border violence, and the systemic violation of the U.S. Government's treaty obligations to Tribal nations.
- ◆ Ensure democratic, fair, and secure voting processes that are free from racial discrimination and voter suppression in every State, specifically through measures that include:**
 - Enfranchising all formerly and presently incarcerated people in federal elections;
 - Creating a public financing program for campaigns that are powered by small dollar contributions;
 - Incentivizing States to increase voter turnout;
 - Incentivizing States to pass laws that expand voting access, including laws that:
 - Enfranchise all formerly and presently incarcerated people for State and local elections; and
 - Allowing local and State resident voting for undocumented people.
 - Increase accountability for federal officials and police officers who have committed harms, specifically by measures that include:
 - Guaranteeing a private right of action for recovering damages when a federal official has committed a constitutional violation; and
 - Creating a grant program that offers States grant dollars if they strengthen mechanisms to hold police officers accountable when they have committed harm.

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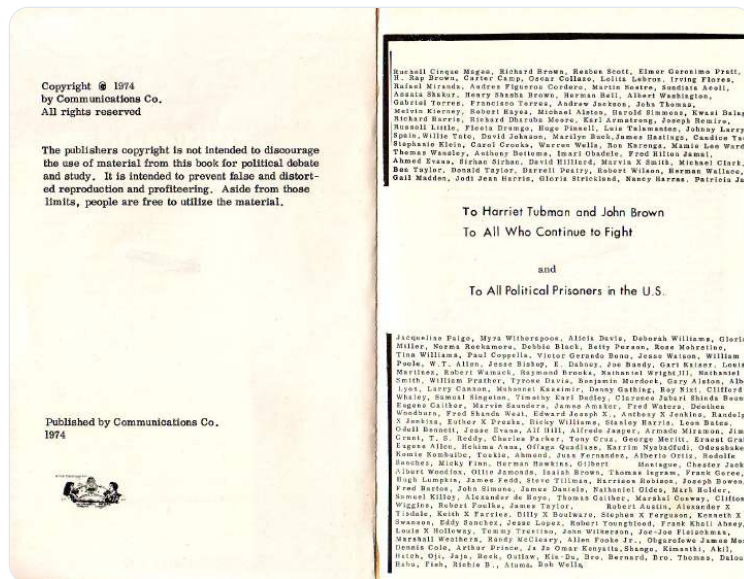
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So yeah. Also, Patrisse's boss and mentor Eric knows another familiar face very well. Bill Ayers, the co-founder of Weather Underground, who once included Sirhan Sirhan in his book dedication. S.S. was the man who assassinated RFK.



Ayers in 1970 was said to have summed up the Weatherman philosophy as: "Kill all the rich people. Break up their cars and apartments. Bring the revolution home, kill your parents, that's where it's really at."

He gave that interview on 9/11/2001 btw.



No Regrets for a Love Of Explosives; In a Memoir of Sorts, a War Prote...

Profile of Bill Ayers, who has written memoir, some of it fiction, of his years as a member of Weather Underground, radical Vietnam-era group; photo as youth, and with wife, Bernardine Dohrn (M)

<https://web.archive.org/web/20180727212346/https://www.nytimes.com/2001/09/11/bo...>

Mr. Ayers is probably safe from prosecution anyway. A spokeswoman for the Justice Department said there was a five-year statute of limitations on Federal crimes except in cases of murder or when a person has been indicted.

Mr. Ayers, who in 1970 was said to have summed up the Weatherman philosophy as: "Kill all the rich people. Break up their cars and apartments. Bring the revolution home, kill your parents, that's where it's really at," is today distinguished professor of education at the University of Illinois at Chicago. And he says he doesn't actually remember suggesting that rich people be killed or that people kill their parents, but "it's been quoted so many times I'm beginning to think I did," he said. "It was a joke about the distribution of wealth."

Ayers is married to also-crazy radical Barnardine Dohrn. They took legal guardianship of Chesa Boudin, whose parents were imprisoned after the 1981 Brinks robbery.

Chesa Boudin

Connected to: Suzy Loftus | Barnardine Dohrn | Bill Ayers

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Chesa Boudin (born August 21, 1980) is an American lawyer, writer, and lecturer specializing in the U.S. criminal justice system. Since January 8, 2020, he has served as the 29th district attorney of San Francisco.


Early life and education

Boudin was born in New York City to Jewish parents.^[a] His parents, Kathy Boudin and David Gilbert, were Weather Underground members.^[a]

When Boudin was 14 months old, his parents were arrested for murder in their role as getaway car drivers in the Brink's robbery of 1981 in Rockland County, New York.^{[a][b]} His mother was sentenced to 20 years to life^[c] and his father to 75 years to life for the felony murders of two police officers and a security guard.^[a] After his parents were incarcerated, Boudin was raised in Chicago by adoptive parents Bill Ayers and Barnardine Dohrn, who, like his parents, had been members of the Weather Underground.^[a] Boudin reports that he did not learn to read until age 9.^[a] Kathy Boudin was released under parole supervision in 2003.^{[a][d]}

Boudin descends from a long left-wing lineage. His great-great-uncle, Louis B. Boudin,^[a] was a Marxist theoretician and author of a two-volume history of the Supreme Court's influence on American government, and his grandfather Leonard Boudin was an attorney who represented controversial clients such as Fidel Castro and Paul Robeson.^[a] Boudin is also related to Michael Boudin,^[a] a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, and Isidor Feinstein Stone, an independent journalist.^{[a][e]}

Boudin entered St Antony's College, Oxford, on a Rhodes Scholarship in 2003.^[f] At Oxford, he earned two master's degrees, one in forced migration and the other in public policy in Latin America. He earned his Juris Doctor from Yale Law School in 2011^[a] and began work for the San



Chesa Boudin	
29th District Attorney of San Francisco	
Incumbent	
Assumed office	
January 8, 2020	
Preceded by Suzy Loftus (interim)	
Personal details	
Born	August 21, 1980 (age 40) <div>New York City, New York, U.S.</div>
Political party	Democratic
Spouse(s)	Valerie Block
Mother	Kathy Boudin
Father	David Gilbert
Relatives	Bill Ayers (adoptive father) <div>Barnardine Dohrn (adoptive mother)</div>
Education	Yale University (BA, JD) <div>St Antony's College, Oxford (MS, MPhil)</div>

Boudin was elected district attorney for San Francisco and was sworn in on January 8, 2020.

On January 10, he fired six prosecutors.

On January 14, Boudin announced the first implementation of a primary caregiver diversion program authorized by SB394.

On January 22, he eliminated cash bail.

And it goes on and on....

election, criticized the decision as "giving criminals a green light" to attack police officers.^[40]

On February 28, Boudin announced his office would no longer seek charges for contraband found during "pretextual" traffic stops and would not charge status enhancements that increase jail sentences, such as those imposed for gang membership or for having three strikes. He explained that extensive, empirical evidence demonstrated the ineffectiveness of those policies and discrimination against marginalized communities.^[41]

On April 9, Boudin announced that his office secured temporary housing units for survivors of domestic violence.^[42]

On April 21, Boudin established an Economic Crimes Unit to protect worker's rights.^[43] On July 16, that unit filed an employee protection action against DoorDash alleging the company has and continues to illegally classify its delivery workers as independent contractors.^[44]

On June 1, Boudin called on the State Bar to create a new ethics rule to end the conflict of interest between prosecutors and police unions.^[45]

On June 2, Boudin partnered with Supervisor Shamann Walton to announce a resolution prohibiting the hiring of law enforcement officers with prior findings of misconduct.^[46] The resolution was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 23.^[47]

On June 5, as part of a series of reforms targeted at holding police accountable, Boudin announced a new policy requiring prosecutors to review all available evidence before charging any cases involving allegations of resisting or obstructing police officers or committing an assault on officers.^[48]

On June 15, Boudin announced a policy directive to prevent the charging and prosecution of cases relying upon the word of officers who have previously been found to have committed serious misconduct.

On June 18, Boudin and three other district attorneys called on the California Victims' Compensation Board to provide victim compensation to victims and witnesses of police violence.^[49]

On July 1, Boudin joined a grassroots law project to announce the formation of a local "Truth, Justice and Reconciliation Commission."^[50]

Lastly about the Ayers gang, Bill Ayers and Barack Obama worked together at the Chicago Annenberg Challenge from 1995 - 1999. Although Obama vehemently denied they had anything to do with each other, reports found later say different.

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Obama and Ayers Pushed Radicalism On Schools

The Weather Underground terrorist was not just a guy in the 'neighborhood.'

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Obama and Ayers Pushed Radicalism On Schools

By Stanley Kurtz
Sept. 23, 2008 12:01 am ET

Despite having authored two autobiographies, Barack Obama has never written about his most important executive experience. From 1995 to 1999, he led an education foundation called the Chicago Annenberg Challenge (CAC), and remained on the board until 2001. The group poured more than \$100 million into the hands of community organizers and radical education activists.

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The CAC was the brainchild of Bill Ayers, a founder of the Weather Underground in the 1960s. Among other feats, Mr. Ayers and his cohorts bombed the Pentagon, and he has never expressed regret for his actions. Barack Obama's first run for the Illinois State Senate was launched at a 1995 gathering at Mr. Ayers's home.

The Obama campaign has struggled to downplay that association. Last April, Sen. Obama dismissed Mr. Ayers as just "a guy who lives in my neighborhood," and "not somebody who I exchange ideas with on a regular basis." Yet documents in the CAC archives make clear that Mr. Ayers and Mr. Obama were partners in the CAC. Those archives are housed in the Richard J. Daley Library at the University of Illinois at Chicago and I've recently spent days looking through them.

The Chicago Annenberg Challenge was created ostensibly to improve Chicago's public schools. The funding came from a national education initiative by Ambassador Walter Annenberg. In early 1995, Mr. Obama was appointed the first chairman of the board, which handled fiscal matters. Mr. Ayers co-chaired the foundation's other key body, the "Collaborative," which shaped education policy.

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The CAC's basic functioning has long been known, because its annual reports, evaluations and some board minutes were public. But the Daley archive contains additional board minutes, the Collaborative minutes, and documentation on the groups that CAC funded and rejected. The Daley archives show that Mr. Obama and Mr. Ayers worked as a team to advance the CAC agenda.

One unsettled question is how Mr. Obama, a former community organizer fresh out of law school, could vault to the top of a new foundation? In response to my questions, the Obama campaign issued a statement saying that Mr. Ayers had nothing to do with Obama's "recruitment" to the board. The statement says Deborah Leff and Patricia Alberg Graham (presidents of other foundations) recruited him. Yet the archives show that, along with Ms. Leff and Ms. Graham, Mr. Ayers was one of a working group of five who assembled the initial board in 1994. Mr. Ayers founded CAC and was its guiding spirit. No one would have been appointed the CAC chairman without his approval.

The CAC's agenda flowed from Mr. Ayers's educational philosophy, which called for infusing students and their parents with a radical political commitment, and which downplayed achievement tests in favor of activism. In the mid-1960s, Mr. Ayers taught at a radical alternative school, and served as a community organizer in Cleveland's ghetto.

In works like "City Kids, City Teachers" and "Teaching the Personal and the Political," Mr. Ayers wrote that teachers should be community organizers dedicated to provoking resistance to American racism and oppression. His preferred alternative? "I'm a radical, Leftist, small 'c' communist," Mr. Ayers said in an interview in Ron Chepesiak's, "Sixties Radicals," at about the same time Mr. Ayers was forming CAC.

CAC translated Mr. Ayers's radicalism into practice. Instead of funding schools directly, it required schools to affiliate with "external partners," which actually got the money. Proposals from groups focused on math/science achievement were turned down. Instead CAC disbursed money through various far-left community organizers, such as the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (or Acorn).

Mr. Obama once conducted "leadership training" seminars with Acorn, and Acorn members also served as volunteers in Mr. Obama's early campaigns. External partners like the South Shore African Village Collaborative and the Dual Language Exchange focused more on political consciousness, Afrocentricity and bilingualism than traditional education. CAC's in-house evaluators comprehensively studied the effects of its grants on

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"teach against oppression," against America's history of evil and racism, thereby forcing social transformation.

The Obama campaign has cried foul when Bill Ayers comes up, claiming "guilt by association." Yet the issue here isn't guilt by association; it's guilt by participation. As CAC chairman, Mr. Obama was lending moral and financial support to Mr. Ayers and his radical circle. That is a story even if Mr. Ayers had never planted a single bomb 40 years ago.

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the test scores of Chicago public-school students. They found no evidence of educational improvement.

CAC also funded programs designed to promote "leadership" among parents. Ostensibly this was to enable parents to advocate on behalf of their children's education. In practice, it meant funding Mr. Obama's alma mater, the Developing Communities Project, to recruit parents to its overall political agenda. CAC records show that board member Arnold Weber was concerned that parents "organized" by community groups might be viewed by school principals "as a political threat." Mr. Obama arranged meetings with the Collaborative to smooth out Mr. Weber's objections.

The Daley documents show that Mr. Ayers sat as an ex-officio member of the board Mr. Obama chaired through CAC's first year. He also served on the board's governance committee with Mr. Obama, and worked with him to craft CAC bylaws. Mr. Ayers made presentations to board meetings chaired by Mr. Obama. Mr. Ayers spoke for the Collaborative before the board. Likewise, Mr. Obama periodically spoke for the board at meetings of the Collaborative.

The Obama campaign notes that Mr. Ayers attended only six board meetings, and stresses that the Collaborative lost its "operational role" at CAC after the first year. Yet the Collaborative was demoted to a strictly advisory role largely because of ethical concerns, since the projects of Collaborative members were receiving grants. CAC's own evaluators noted that project accountability was hampered by the board's reluctance to break away from grant decisions made in 1995. So even after Mr. Ayers's formal sway declined, the board largely adhered to the grant program he had put in place.

Mr. Ayers's defenders claim that he has redeemed himself with public-spirited education work. That claim is hard to swallow if you understand that he views his education work as an effort to stoke resistance to an oppressive American system. He likes to stress that he learned of his first teaching job while in jail for a draft-board sit-in. For Mr. Ayers, teaching and his 1960s radicalism are two sides of the same coin.

Mr. Ayers is the founder of the "small schools" movement (heavily funded by CAC), in which individual schools built around specific political themes push students to "confront issues of inequity, war, and violence." He believes teacher education programs should serve as "sites of resistance" to an oppressive system. (His teacher-training programs were also CAC funded.) The point, says Mr. Ayers in his "Teaching Toward Freedom," is to

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CAC funneled money through ACORN, a now defunct charity organization that was caught in a Project Veritas sting about a decade ago.

In another article in The Hill, Stanley Kurtz says he went through CAC records and found out that Obama and Ayers were partners.

"Barack Obama's first run for the Illinois state Senate was launched at a famous fundraiser and kickoff for the campaign at a 1995 gathering at the house of Bill Ayers and his wife, Bernadine Dohrn, says Kurtz."



In July of this year, Illinois speaker Michael Madigan was subpoenaed in efforts "seeking records on a former ComEd lobbyist and his consulting work for a tiny southwestern suburb."

Madigan is connected to Obama, Ayers, and Andrew Weissmann.



That's about all I've got for this thread! I have a few more things of note that I couldn't tie together, so I'm just going to put them here at the end.

1. In the first days of the Ferguson protests, I noticed a URL at the bottom of a banner.

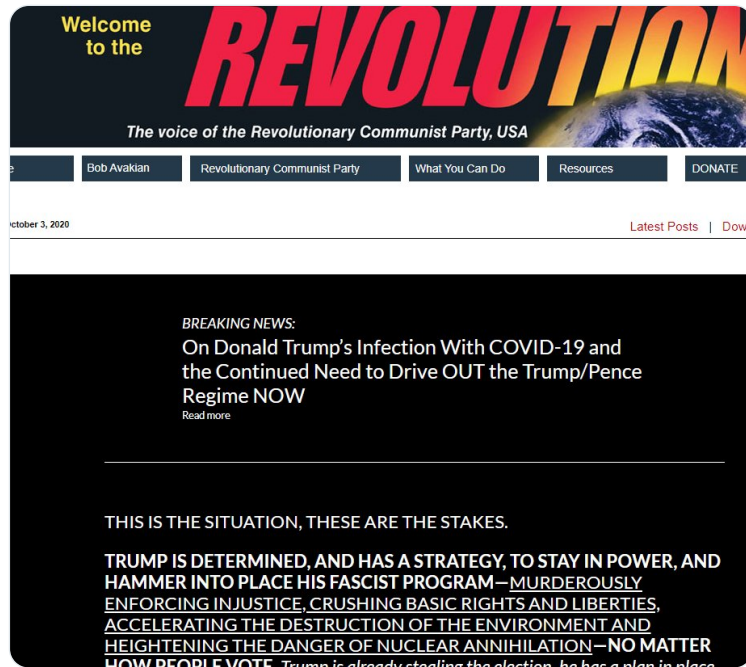


It's a revolutionist Communist website.

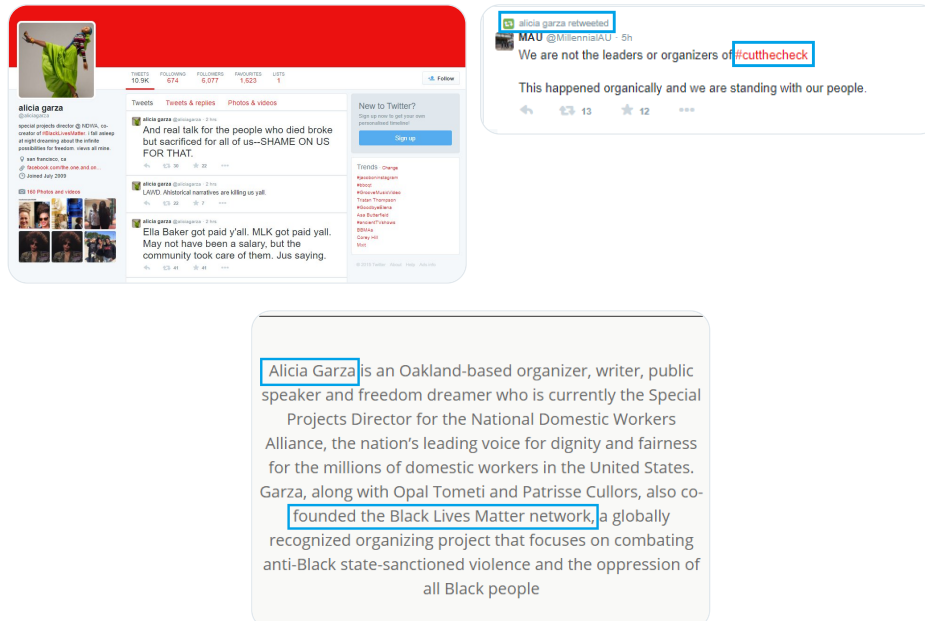


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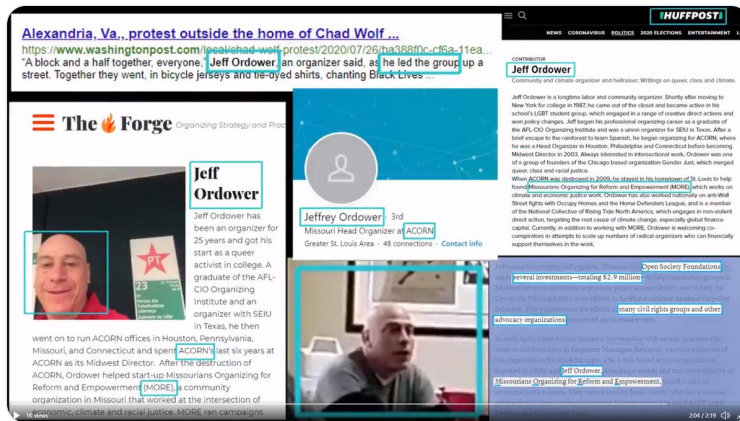


2. [#CutTheCheck](#) was an effort to regain paid protester money in Ferguson in 2015. I have a bunch of pictures of tweets and info, just going to dump them here.

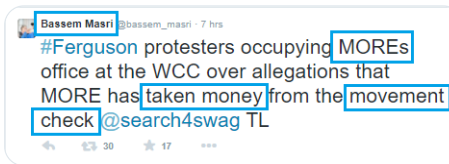


Notice Ordower worked for ACORN back in the day. Wonder if he knows Ayers and Barack?

Also, looks like he's travelling again if he went to VA to protest at Chad Wolf's house.



Baseem Masri died in 2018, but he did a lot of documentary work in Ferguson and afterward. His Twitter archive is very interesting.



Alicia Garza retweeted Millennial Activists United about getting paid. MAU also wrote on their Tumblr about getting paid. Very very detailed.

<https://web.archive.org/web/20150523002256/http://millennialau.tumblr.com/post/119036235946/cutthecheck>

On May 14, 2015 many individuals and organizations of the protest movement that began in Ferguson, Missouri organized a sit-in in the office of Missourians Organizing for Reform and Empowerment (MORE). The demand was simple: Cut the checks.

Early in the movement, non-profit organization MORE, formerly known as the St. Louis chapter of ACORN, and local St. Louis organization Organization for Black Struggle created a joint account in which national donors from all over the world have donated over \$150,000 to sustain the movement. Since then, the poor black people of this movement who served as cash generators to bring money into St. Louis have seen little to none of that money. Furthermore, since the influx of funding has started, poor black people continue to take to the streets all the while losing their homes, vehicles, ability to feed themselves and their families, and suffering from trauma and mental illness with no ability to afford quality mental health services. Questions have been raised as to how the movement is to sustain when white non-profits are hoarding monies collected off black bodies? When we will hold the industry of black suffering accountable? The people of the community are fed up and the accountability begins here and now.

This isn't about MORE. This is about black lives in the Black Lives Matter movement who are literally broke and starving. There is an insidious strand of racism and white supremacy that exists in this movement and it is called the Non-Profit Industrial Complex. As a by-product, it provides decent salaries and comfort to many people who are not directly affected by the disparities that they are trying to address. This money is typically in the hands of white people who oversee the types of services that the non-profit provides, while having select token black people to spearhead the conversations within and to the community.

We NEED to be thinking about justice for black people. This means white people must renounce their loyalty to the social normalcy that maintains white power and control. If black lives really matter, justice and self-determination for black people would mean the black community would control it's own political and economic resources.

It is asinine to believe that black people can continue to organize and take to the street when they can barely meet their basic needs. In St. Louis, organizers and protesters depleted \$50,000 of the available funds and dispersed it among the people in the movement in no particular order. *Jeff Ordower*, executive director of MORE stated that another \$57,000 is expected in the next one to two weeks in which those funds will also be dispersed to the black people in the movement.

Moving forward, we are building a board of accountability within this movement. We must funnel economic power into this movement through the hands of black people who are fighting with and for black life. More on this board will be discussed as we develop.

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We are not the leaders or organizers of #cutthecheck

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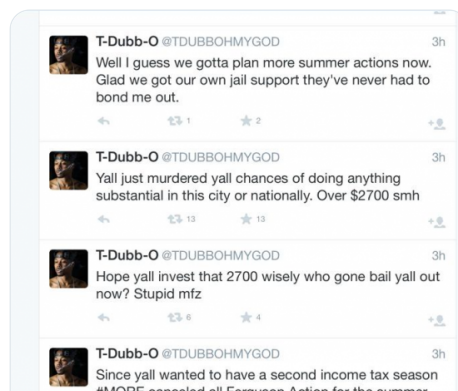
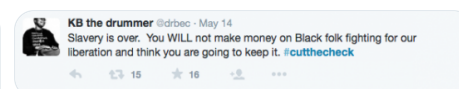
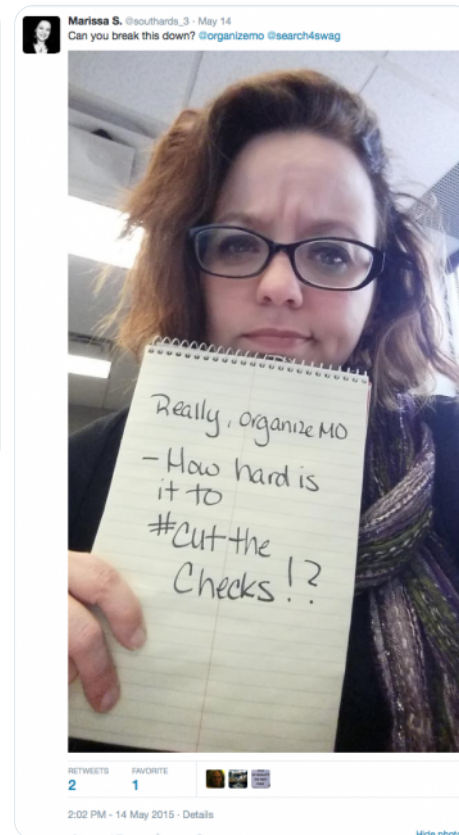
MAU @MillennialAU · 8 hrs
I know MAU has a meeting tonight, but we are occupying the @organizemo office in the name of accountability. So stay tuned.

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MAU retweeted
Trudy @thetrudz · 39 mins
Ever notice no one demands White "allies" be poor or underpaid? Nope. Just Black ppl. Because exploitation "proves activism." GTFOWHTBS.

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This is from Charles Wade, who was later busted for sex trafficking.



and no more jail support.

A disgruntled activist posted the payout list after they didn't get any money.

Date	Person/Group	Amount	Purpose
9/18/2014	Damon Vigil	\$100.00	Ferguson October art supplies
9/18/2014	Madison Works	\$200.00	Ferguson October supplies
10/6/2014	Adam Jones	\$2,711.80	Ferguson October supplies
10/6/2014	Derek Loney	\$1,000.00	Ferguson October permits
10/6/2014	John Chesnut	\$200.00	Ferguson October permits
10/9/2014	John Chesnut	\$1,242.00	Ferguson October permits
10/9/2014	Production Support Services	\$2,192.25	Ferguson October march tech
10/9/2014	Juliette Jacobs	\$200.00	Ferguson October walkie talkies
10/9/2014	Adam Jones	\$671.50	Ferguson October t-shirts
10/10/2014	H-Tech Copy	\$890.63	Ferguson October copies
10/11/2014	Fast Ed	\$433.83	Ferguson October banner
10/9/2014	Jobs with Justice	\$2,702.68	Ferguson October van rentals
10/14/2014	St. Louis AVV Company	\$311.42	Ferguson October air
9/18/2014	World Community Center	\$500.00	movement space usage
10/22/2014	Karl Kumodori	\$200.00	Ferguson October gas cards
10/18/2014	Public Policy Education Fund for NY	\$2,856.00	staff salary reimbursement
10/1/2014	MO Dept of Revenue	\$68.15	fines for CHI bank account
11/3/2014	CWA Local 6355	\$1,005.19	Ferguson October (vans)
11/6/2014	Ikeva Clarkson	\$184.24	Ferguson October (megaphones)
11/18/2014	Jeff Ostler	\$10,717.00	Ferguson October reimbursements
11/18/2014	Kathy Pettinon	\$1,914.69	Ferguson October supplies
11/18/2014	Tia Byrd	\$82.33	Ferguson October copies
11/20/2014	Harry Alper	\$119.53	Ferguson October supplies
11/21/2014	Damon Davis	\$300.00	Art supplies
11/24/2014	Kayla Reed	\$2,000.00	Youth stipends, food, etc.
11/24/2014	Jake Ho	\$31.07	NVDA training food
11/28/2014	Jeff Ostler	\$10,000.00	Ferguson October reimbursements
11/28/2014	Tia Byrd	\$82.90	NVDA training supplies
12/3/2014	Emily Bland	\$132.00	Ferguson October parking
12/5/2014	Maurice Weeks	\$224.88	Ferguson October supplies
12/5/2014	Ashley Yates on behalf of MAU	\$3,129.00	Online donations for MAU
12/9/2014	Harry Alper	\$169.50	Supplies for non-indictment
12/9/2014	Damon Davis	\$200.00	Art supplies
12/10/2014	Jeffery Hill on behalf of Black Souljaz	\$500.00	Online donations
12/10/2014	Mayam Adrangi	\$173.63	Ferguson October art supplies
12/10/2014	Public Policy Education Fund for NY	\$6,882.44	staff salary reimbursement
12/12/2014	Brandon Sneed (formerly of Tribe X)	\$500.00	Online donations
12/12/2014	Anielle Klagsbrun	\$203.53	NVDA training supplies
12/12/2014	Beverly Jones	\$114.63	Supplies for non-indictment
12/15/2014	Michael Bowersox	\$444.39	Non-indictment food
12/15/2014	National Domestic Workers Alliance	\$1,099.13	Cell phones for Ferguson Octob

5/1/2015	Elizabeth Vega	\$2,000.00	Activist trip to Emory
5/8/2015	Taylor Payne	\$2,000.00	Emergency support

Back when they were too stupid not to advertise this in the open.

Movement Support Fund

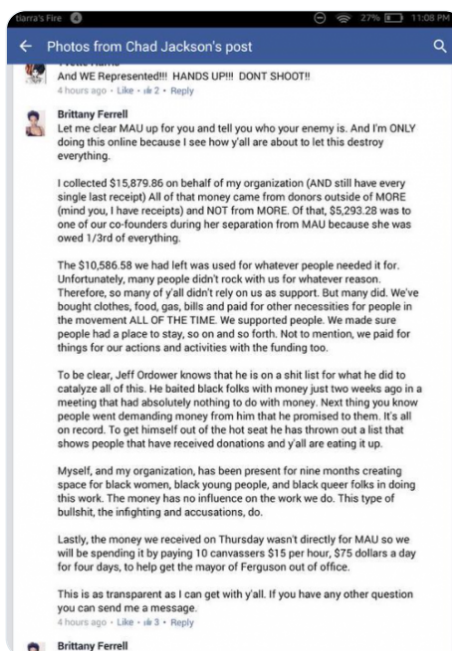
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Purpose:

Organization for Black Struggle (OBS) and Missourians Organizing for Reform and Empowerment (MORE) are pleased to offer travel funding for individuals and grassroots groups that are working to advocate for police accountability and Black lives. A fixed sum of \$20,000 has been set aside for this initiative.

Applications are fulfilled on a 1st come, 1st served basis until the fixed sum is exhausted. In your application, please honor the guiding principle that your funded work/travel be collaborative and shared out to as many people as possible.

Travel funding is available for Individuals (\$300), Groups of 3+ ppl (\$1000), and Large Collaborations of 6+ (\$2000) to take trips that directly help attendees advocate for police accountability and Black lives. Applications must be submitted 2 wks before your departure date.



Ordower getting grilled for money.

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3. Every time a kid dies and it's politicized, they try to go to the UN over it. Same with GF, even though he wasn't a kid.



Parents of Trayvon Martin, Jordan Davis Share Their Loss at the Unite...

Sitting in meetings in the United Nation's ornate Wilson Palace by the shores of Lake Geneva in the shadow of the Alps seems an odd place to discuss racial discrimination in the United States.

<https://www.aclu.org/blog/human-rights/treaty-ratification/parents-trayvon-martin-jordan...>

4. The origin story for BLM is different everywhere you read it.

Here, Alicia came up with it after the verdict in summer 2013.





#BlackLivesMatter: the birth of a new civil rights movement

How a new generation of tech-savvy activists made violence against African Americans into global headline news

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/jul/19/blacklivesmatter-birth-civil-rights-move...>



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Alicia Garza was in a bar in Oakland, California, drinking bourbon when the verdict came in. It was July 2013 and she had been following the [trial of George Zimmerman](#), a neighbourhood watch volunteer in Sanford, Florida, who had shot dead a 17-year-old African-American by the name of Trayvon Martin in February of the preceding year. Martin had been unarmed, on his way back from a 7/11 convenience store where he had just bought himself an iced tea and a bag of Skittles.

There had, of course, been shootings of young black men before. But this one had a particular resonance. Garza had a younger brother of a similar height and build to Martin. She felt it could just as easily have been him.

In the bar, Garza, her husband and her two friends had been checking their phones for updates from the trial. The jury had been deliberating for 16 hours on Zimmerman's fate. When the [verdict](#) was announced, she learned of it first through Facebook: not guilty of second degree murder and acquitted of manslaughter.

"Everything went quiet, everything and everyone," Garza says now. "And then people started to leave en masse. The one thing I remember from that evening, other than crying myself to sleep that night, was the way in which as a black person, I felt incredibly vulnerable, incredibly exposed and incredibly enraged. Seeing these black people leaving the bar, and it was like we couldn't look at each other. We were carrying this burden around with us every day: of racism and white supremacy. It was a verdict that said: black people are not safe in America."

Garza logged on to Facebook. She wrote an impassioned online message, "essentially a love note to black people", and posted it on her page. It ended with: "Black people. I love you. I love us. Our lives matter."

Garza's close friend, Patrisse Cullors, read the post in a motel room 300 miles away from Oakland that same night. Cullors, also a community organiser working in prison reform, started sharing Garza's words with her friends online. She used a hashtag each time she reposted: [#blacklivesmatter](#). The

Here it's just following the killing but it didn't get popular until Ferguson.

A founder of Black Lives Matter answers a question on many minds: ...

Patrisse Cullors, a Los Angeles-based co-founder of Black Lives Matter, sat down with the Los Angeles Times to talk about the future of racial justice activism under President Trump.

<https://web.archive.org/web/20200609084908/https://www.latimes.com/nation/la-na-pa...>

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To supporters, it is a respectable civil rights movement. To critics, it's an anti-police organization that deserves to be banned.

Black Lives Matter came into existence following the 2012 killing of Trayvon Martin, an African American teen, by neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman in Sanford, Fla. The group became known nationally amid protests in Ferguson, Mo., after a white police officer shot and killed Michael Brown, an 18-year-old black man.

Since then, the organization founded by Alicia Garza, Patrisse Cullors and Opal Tometi has been on the front lines of protests against what it calls "the sustained and increasingly visible violence against black communities."

While its prominence appears to have waned in recent months, Cullors, 32, a native of Van Nuys who lives in Los Angeles, insisted that the movement is today more relevant than ever.

It has swelled to 40 chapters, including branches in Canada and Britain. In November, the group will receive the Sydney Peace Prize, Australia's leading award for global peacemakers.

Here they take credit for it, even though they weren't first.



Reds Exploiting Blacks: The Roots of Black Lives Matter

The Black Lives Matter movement (BLM) casts itself as a spontaneous uprising born of inner city frustration...

<https://www.aim.org/special-report/reds-exploiting-blacks-the-roots-of-black-lives-matter/>

BLM [launched](#) in 2013 with a Twitter hashtag, #BlackLivesMatter, after neighborhood watchman George Zimmerman was acquitted in the Trayvon Martin killing. Radical Left activists [Alicia Garza](#), [Patrisse Cullors](#) and [Opal Tometi](#) claim credit for the slogan and hashtag. Following the Michael Brown shooting in August 2014, Dream Defenders, an organization led by [Working Families Party](#) (ACORN) activist and Occupy Wall Street anarchist [Nelini Stamp](#), popularized the phrase "Hands Up-Don't Shoot!" which has since become BLM's

And here they say it happened in early 2012.

I honestly feel like it's a made up story they just go with and the details don't seem to matter. But it is super inconsistent. :P





Alicia Garza (1981-)

Alicia Garza is an activist and writer who now lives in Oakland, California. Although she has organized around issues related to health, student services, and rights for domestic workers as well as...

<https://www.blackpast.org/african-american-history/garza-alicia-1981/>

transgender male activist.

In 2009, Garza served as the Executive Director for People Organized to Win Employment Rights (POWER) for the San Francisco Bay Area. In 2011, Garza was also board chair for Right to the City Alliance (RTTC) in Oakland which fought gentrification and police brutality. On February 26, 2012 when unarmed black teenager **Trayvon Martin** was fatally shot by neighborhood security guard George Zimmerman in Sanford, **Florida**, Garza took her frustration and rage to Facebook and crafted a post and first used the phrase "Black Lives Matter." In 2013, Garza along with Opal Tometi and Patrisse Cullors officially created the **Black Lives Matter Movement**. The movement works to end the violence towards African Americans particularly by the police and fights against the institutional issues of poverty and mass incarceration.

In addition to the work she does with Black Lives Matter, Garza is currently the special projects...

Anyways

THE END for now. :)

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Yo [@rantsbybobby](#) there's enough here to rant about for a loooooong time.

I did miss that thank you for the info!!



Lesley Thomas
@lesmthomas



Replying to @SomeBitchIKnow

L, good stuff! You may have pointed this out & I missed it but Linda Evans (Catalyst Project) is also connected to Ayers, Dohrn, Boudin & the SDS>Weatherman>Weather Underground. She was pardoned by Bill Clinton right before he left office.

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Thank you! Keep it coming if you've got any good details. Team effort!



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Replying to @SomeBitchIKnow

Van Jones was arrested at the WTO riots in Seattle in 99.
Van founded the Ella Baker Center. Patrisse Cullors worked
for the Ella Baker Center.

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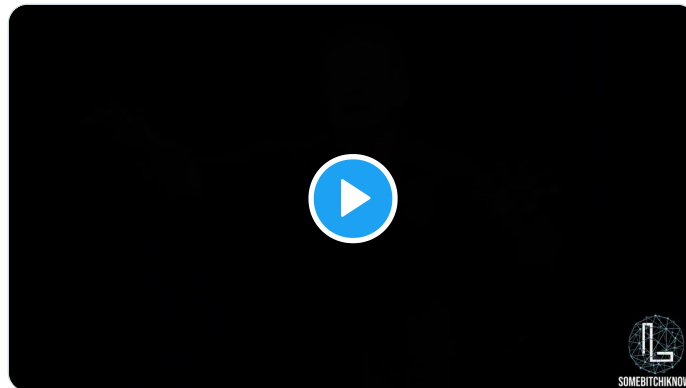


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Are you voting for Joe Biden?

...why?



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